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CROWN INSTRUCTIONS.

Extradition proceedings against Tsang Yu, who is wanted by the Canton authorities on a charge of kidnapping, were continued before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy, Assistant Attorney General, prosecuted and Mr. F. H. Loseby, of Messrs. Russ & Co., represented the fugitive.

At a previous hearing, the fugitive told the Court that at the time of the kidnapping he was in Hongkong and was actually cooking in the house of a lady in Stanton Street. The fugitive's wife also substantiated this part of the story.

Counsel's Complaint.

When the Court sat this morning, Mr. Loseby, addressing his wife, said that before they proceeded any further in the hearing, there was a matter which he must bring to the notice of the Magistrate. He (Mr. Loseby) had made enquiries and he believed he had been informed correctly that the fugitive's wife, since she gave evidence in court, had been sent for by the police. This Mr. Loseby described as unique.

As a matter of precaution, the fugitive's wife went to see Mr. Loseby, who sent his interpreter with the woman to the police. There, she was informed that she was not wanted, but that the police desired the presence of her mistress, the woman who lived in Stanton Street.

Mistress Questioned.

Mr. Loseby, continuing, said that he was told that the police had since sent for the mistress, who had been closely cross-examined, the police making very careful and detailed inquiries from her. Mr. Loseby concluded by saying that the step taken by the police was a serious matter.

In reply to his Worship's inquiry, Mr. Fitzroy stated that the fugitive's wife was sent for and, on realising that they had made a mistake, the police had sent her away again. Mr. Fitzroy admitted that as regards the mistress, who had been mentioned in the former evidence, the police had questioned her.

"An Outrage."

Mr. Lindsell remarked that he had never heard of such an outrage as the questioning of persons prior to their being called to give evidence. "It is perfectly outrageous," said his Worship, "and I hope you will draw the attention of the Captain Superintendent of Police to the matter."

Mr. Fitzroy explained that his instructions to the police were to find out all they could about the woman.

Mr. Lindsell: Is that not inviting the police to question her? I think it was quite improper and I entirely deprecate such action.

His Worship concluded by remarking that the police had no right to do what they did until after the witness had given evidence.

The fugitive's wife, who had given evidence in the witness box to support her husband's story of an alibi was then called.

OCCASIONAL RAIN.

To-day's report of the Royal Observatory states that a moderate anti-cyclone covers China and another of less intensity is situated to the east of the Bonins. Fresh to strong monsoon may be expected along the Coast and over the North China Sea. The forecast is:—"N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy, occasional rain."

THE SALT GABELLE DISPUTE.

SATISFACTORY SETTLEMENT REPORTED REACHED.

REGULAR PAYMENTS.

Shanghai, Sept. 24. The North China Daily News learns that the Nationalist Government has made arrangements whereby the service of Loans secured on the Salt Gabelle will, in future, be met regularly.

The above newspaper, in making this announcement, says that it has reason to believe that these arrangements are satisfactory to all parties concerned.—*Reuter.*

The most important of the foreign loans which are secured on the revenue of the Salt Administration is the Five-Power Reorganisation Loan of 1913, under which the arrangement was made for the setting up of a special Salt Inspectorate, with foreign members on the staff. The principle and interest payments have long since been met entirely from the Customs funds, which were equally hypothecated for this purpose.

The Grip Loan of 1912 had the salt revenue as security, and the Anglo-French Loan of 1908 was secured on a large number of miscellaneous revenues the principal of which were the salt taxes of Chihli, Hupeh, Chekiang and Kiangsu.

The Hukuang Railway Loan of 1911 was secured on the salt taxes of Hupeh, Hunan and Canton, and the only other obligation secured on the Salt Revenue is the Chinese Government Loan for the purchase of the ex-Japanese salt properties at Tsinling under the Agreement of 1922.

EUROPEAN LADY AND BAG-SNATCHER.

INCIDENT ON STEEP STEPS OFF WYNDHAM ST.

Mrs. Sherry, the wife of Mr. J. P. Sherry, Manager of the Hongkong Telephone Company, had an unpleasant experience when shopping in the city yesterday.

Leaving her home at No. 119, The Peak, Mrs. Sherry was in Lower Albert Road at about 10.30 in the morning, when with a view to crossing into Wyndham Street, she availed herself of the short cut provided by the steep flight of steps next to the Dairy Farm offices.

While Mrs. Sherry was walking down the steps, a Chinese suddenly snatched at her handbag. Mrs. Sherry, however, was not totally unprepared for the act and the firm hold which she retained on the article, foiled the thief's attempt to obtain possession. He then ran away.

The police were informed of the incident, but the culprit had made good his escape.

AUSTRALIAN STRIKE ACTIVITIES.

MOVE TO INDUCE MEN TO RETURN TO WORK.

Melbourne, Sept. 24. The conference of Maritime and Transport Unions has decided strongly to urge the waterside workers in all ports to resume work under the Arbitration Award on the ground that their present attitude is inimical to Union solidarity.

Telegrams have been sent to all ports urging the men to offer themselves for work to-morrow morning.

A Committee was also appointed to negotiate immediately with the owners.—*Reuter.*

SUDDEN DEATH OF SARWAT PASHA.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S SYMPATHY.

London, Sept. 24. The British Government have conveyed by telegram their sympathy with the Egyptian Government in the loss of the eminent statesman, Sarwat Pasha, who died suddenly at his Paris home on Saturday.—*British Wireless.*

FARTHING A UNIT ELECTRICITY!

SPECIAL TREATMENT OF COAL.

FAST SCHEME FOR BRITISH CO-ORDINATION.

BIG CONTRACT PLACED.

London, Sept. 24. The vast electricity scheme which embraces the whole of the south-east of England is definitely moving towards fruition, an announcement having been made to-day disclosing that the Central Electricity Board have placed contracts amounting in all to about £1,000,000 for the construction of one hundred and thirty-two 1000-volt transmission lines in the area. The Central Electricity Board, it will be recalled, was established under the Electricity Supply Act which passed through Parliament last year.

Vast Output Increase.

The Commissioners in formulating their plans have assumed that the output in Great Britain will

YANGTZE STEAMER PIRATED.

French Vessel Looted In Upper Reaches.

PASSENGERS ROBBED.

Brief details of a piracy on the Yangtze are given in a Naval wireless message received in Hongkong this morning from Ichang.

The message states that the s.s. Fook Yuen, a steamer flying the French flag, was boarded at Wansien by eight pirates, who following the usual custom, went on board in the guise of passengers. They later held up the ship, presumably according to now well established practice, and proceeded to rob the passengers. Their haul consisted of \$600 and the pirates disembarked before the vessel reached Ichang.

double every eight years and that at the end of 1941 about 450 units per head of the population will be consumed.

The standard voltage for the grid transmission network, which it is proposed to establish, has been fixed at 132,000 volts, and a secondary system of transmission lines contemplated will operate at 32,000 volts.

Scottish Success.

The first scheme adopted by the Board covered an area of approximately 6,000 square miles in Scotland, and included Edinburgh, Glasgow, Dundee and Dumfries. South-east England, the area for which contracts for transmission lines have now been placed, includes London and has a total area of 8,823 square miles with a population of 11,500,000.

It is proposed to reduce the number of generating stations from 135 to eighteen, and by a system of overhead lines to convey current at a pressure stated above.

Big Price Reductions.

It is estimated that when the scheme is in full working order, the average cost of electricity, which now varies greatly in the different localities will be reduced to 1.25 pence per unit.

Some very interesting announcements having a distinct bearing on the price of electricity were made to-day when the World Fuel Conference opened in London.

The Marquess of Reading presided and there were no fewer than forty-seven countries represented.

Important Papers.

It is announced that 167 papers have been prepared on subjects ranging from "Drying Feet," which is the most primitive form of fuel to "Pulverised Fuel Firing" which represents the latest advance of modern fuelling.

MADRID THEATRE DISASTER.

CHILDREN'S MIRACULOUS ESCAPE.

STAIRWAY COLLAPSE.

Madrid, Sept. 24. It is now ascertained that the fire extinguishing apparatus in the Novedades Theatre did not function when the fire broke out, and that there was no fire curtain.

It is most reliably stated that the theatre had been reported upon to the authorities seven times by the Fire Brigade and other authorities on account of its instability.

The majority of the deaths were due to the collapse of one of the staircases. Two small children were found in the morning unhurt in a lavatory in which they had taken refuge and stayed all night.

The fire is not yet extinguished as the surrounding houses are still burning. The work of cleaning away the debris is continuing.

The exact number of dead will probably never be known as in many cases only portions of dismembered bodies can be found.

Huge crowds of mourners and sightseers are still surrounding the theatre, which is guarded by cordons of police and soldiers.—*Reuter.*

SECOND THOUGHTS TOO LATE.

SPEEDING MOTOR-CYCLIST FINED.

Mr. C. D. Wright, a motor-cyclist who drove without a side-car light along Stubbs Road on the 8th instant, was fined \$3 by Major C. Willson at the Central Police Court this morning, after pleading guilty to the offence.

Mr. F. H. Blundson, who was charged before the same Magistrate with reckless driving, in Morrison Gap Road, was fined \$15. Sergeant Kelly said while entering the Valley on his machine on the morning of the 6th, he encountered defendant going up the incline of Morrison Gap road, in the opposite direction, on a Harley Davidson solo. Blundson was travelling at a speed estimated by witness to be 30 miles an hour, and he did not sound his horn while negotiating the curve at this place.

After having admitted the offence and being fined as stated, Blundson later reappeared in Court and argued that Sergeant Kelly should have stopped him on the spot if he was speeding. His Worship pointed out that there was nothing further to be said as Blundson had already pleaded guilty and he had been fined.

HIGH TENSION CABLE CUT.

DOCK EMPLOYEE'S DARING THEFT.

Mr. H. ("Kid") Marriott instigated proceedings against a boiler-maker of Kowloon Dock, before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when a charge of stealing two pieces of cable wire was preferred against the employee, who pleaded guilty.

It was stated by Sub-Inspector James that defendant was searched on leaving the docks yesterday afternoon and the wire was found. It was part of a high tension electric cable and had been cut and the rubber removed.

Defendant was fined \$20 with the alternative of one month's hard labour in default.

The biggest feature, however, is likely to be the discussion on low temperature carbonisation of coal and the use of the resultant solid fuel under boilers in the electric super-power stations.

Farthing Per Unit!

It is stated that the value of the by-products obtained by this treatment is so great that the cost of fuel in the generating stations will be almost negligible, rousing hopes that ultimately the cost of electricity will be no more than a farthing per unit.—*British Wireless and Reuter.*

INDIAN ASSEMBLY TUSSELE.

GOVERNMENT WHIPS NAPPING.

PUBLIC SAFETY BILL LOST ON CASTING VOTE.

VICEROY'S NEW MOVE.

Simla, Sept. 24. Although it is fairly certain that the Public Safety (Removal from India) Bill will ultimately pass the Legislative Assembly, a somewhat astonishing position was created to-day partly through slackness on the part of the Government whips.

The Bill, in its amended form, which it was thought, would prove acceptable to the Assembly, was shortly debated to-day, after which a division was taken, and the Bill rejected.

The Government had moved that the Bill be considered as amended by the Select Committee, and the result of the division was a tie, 61 members voting for and 61 against.

The President, Mr. Vithalbhai Javerbhai Patel, recorded his cast-

BRITISH LADY IN BANDIT HANDS.

Troops Now Pursuing Miss Tobin's Captors.

CHINESE OFFICIAL ACTION.

The Chinese authorities are making every effort to secure the release of Miss Tobin, according to Naval wireless messages received to-day.

Miss Tobin, of the Church Missionary Society, (as reported in the *Telegraph* yesterday) was captured some days ago by bandits, operating in the district between Wuchow and Kwellin.

The Kwangsi Government has now despatched troops in pursuit of the bandits while the magistrate at Chimping has been ordered to make every effort to secure the release of Miss Tobin.

ing vote against the motion, which was accordingly rejected amid a tumult of applause and cheers from the Opposition.

The opinion was expressed by Mr. Patel as a reason for his action that the Government, in desiring to enact extraordinary legislation, should do so by a majority of votes.

Whips Caught Napping.

The division lists on examination showed that the Government whips had been caught napping, for Sir James Simpson arrived a minute too late to vote, and Mr. Lamb, the European Unofficial Member from Burma, was calmly taking some tea three minutes away, unaware that a division was likely.

Viceroy to Exercise Powers.

The Viceroy's Executive Council held an emergency meeting in the evening, and decided to re-introduce the Bill to-morrow by the exercise of the Viceroy's special powers.

It is considered that the Assembly's verdict will then be upset. The Bill as originally designed has been amended by the Select Committee in very important particulars.

Important Alterations.

The decisions of the Select Committee limit the life of the Bill to five years, and exempt from the scope of its operation Europeans and British subjects who have been living in India for at least five years, who have a stake in the country, or are engaged in business.

The outstanding amendment, however, is concerned with the right of appeal. The original clause stated that no removal order shall be called in question in any court or by or before any other authority whatsoever, but this has been altered to read that any aggrieved person may appeal against his removal before a Tribunal of three Sessions Judges and a Judge of the High Court.—*Reuter.*

BRITISH VESSELS ATTACKED.

FIRING FROM YANGTZE SHORES CONTINUE.

KINGWO UNDER FIRE.

Further cases of British vessels being fired on from the banks of the Upper Yangtze are to hand in Naval wireless messages received to-day which state that bandits are again active in the vicinity of Wushan. The Jardine steamer Kingwo and the Chinkwang, belonging to the Asiatic Petroleum Company were both fired on in this region yesterday, the fire being returned by the armed guards which are now carried by all steamers passing through the area.

This is the second time within a few days that the Chinkwang has been fired on. The Butterfield and Swire s.s. Kintang was a victim less than a fortnight ago and it is notable that the firing in every case has been directed from the region of Wushan. Some times the bandits have attacked from below the town while at others the firing has been about ten miles further up the bank.

None of the messages received during the past fortnight concerning the firing on British steamers have made any reference to casualties and it is therefore presumed that the counter-attacks by the armed guards on the vessels have stopped the firing before damage was done.

LEPER BEGGARS IN THE COLONY.

THREE ARRESTED AND SENT TO CANTON.

Three male mendicants who were taken into custody near the Western Market the other day, were found to be lepers. They had come from Canton, and have been returned to that City under a police escort.

The presence of lepers in this Colony has been continuously guarded against by the authorities. Those taken into custody during the frequent collections of beggars from the streets, who are suspected of suffering from the dreadful malady, are segregated and sent back to Canton after they have been certified as lepers by the Government medical officers.

ATTACK ON AIR SPEED RECORD.

BAD WEATHER PREVENTS A TRIAL FLIGHT.

London, Sept. 24. British plans for an attack on the world's air speed record, at present held by the famous Italian flier, Bernadi, are still held up by bad weather conditions.

Flight-Lieutenant D'Arny Greig, the officer chosen to make a trial flight to-day, but the weather was most unsuitable, though in spite of the conditions, he took the Supermarine Napier seaplane S-5 out, and after a long engine test, did some fast test runs on the Solent.

Lieut. Greig did not rise into the air. The machine responded well to all tests.—*British Wireless.*

NEW ITALO-GREEK TREATY.

ITS MAIN PROVISIONS OUTLINED.

Rome, Sept. 24.

The Text of the new Italo-Greek Treaty has been published and it provides that each party pledges its neutrality in the event of an unprovoked attack on the other by any third party.

Each party to the Treaty also promises political and diplomatic support in the event of the other being an object of attack. If their mutual interests are threatened the parties agree to act in concert as regards the measures to be taken for their common defence.—*Reuter.*

MESSRS. ULLMANN VICTIMISED?

SALESMAN ALLEGED TO BE MISSING.

ENTRUSTED WITH STOCK VALUED AT \$8,000.

LETTER TO HIS FIRM.

According to a report made to the Police authorities yesterday, it is stated that Messrs. Ullmann and Company, the well-known jewellers and watch-dealers of Alexandra Building, Chater Road, have sustained a serious loss through an allegedly dishonest act on the part of one of their salesmen.

Until the date when he is alleged to have disappeared with goods valued at over \$8,000 the man was employed as salesman of the Hongkong branch, Chater Road and was vested with a large measure of responsibility in conducting the wholesale side of the business.

In this capacity he had for many years taken up large consignments of goods to Canton from time to time, and as regularly, turned in corresponding payments. There had been, within a long period of service, no break in this order of routine until the end of last week when he failed to return as expected with the money he was believed to have obtained from customers in Canton on a valuable consignment.

Letter of Apology.

A delay of a day or two would not in the ordinary course of events, have occasioned any surprise in view of the confidence he had established in long service with the firm, but for the receipt of a letter by the Company yesterday.

Purporting to have been written and signed by the missing salesman, the communication was addressed to Mr. L. D. Welch, the Manager of Messrs. Ullmann's and the writer is said to have confessed that he had run away with the goods, and to have expressed his sorrow that circumstances should have forced him to take such a step.

An examination of the envelope shows that the letter was posted in Hongkong, the salesman apparently having left it to be sent after his departure for Canton.

No Insurance.

Enquiries by a *Telegraph* reporter at Messrs. Ullmann's store at Chater Road, this morning, have confirmed the police report while establishing the fact that the goods, comprising watches and lenses, were not insured. It was also disclosed that the missing salesman has not left money behind with the firm as security.

The occurrence represents a complete loss to Messrs. Ullmann's of over eight thousand dollars.

Mr. Welch said that the goods now reported as being irrecoverable, were handed over from time to time to the salesman until they had accumulated to the very big figure stated.

1,500 Watches.

Those particulars derived from an assessment of the stock, are as follows: 1,513 watches of various kinds, valued at \$7,372.

72 ordinary field-glasses, \$472; 33 prismatic binoculars, \$462; making a total of over \$8,000 worth of goods now reported as being stolen.

TWO GLASGOW CUP RESULTS.

SOUTHAMPTON'S SOCCER SURPRISE.

London, Sept. 24. The Glasgow Cup, from which the Rangers have already been eliminated, provided some keen tussles in Glasgow to-day, a huge crowd witnessing Celtic's failure to defeat Third Lanark. A replay is necessary.

Three League matches were played, the results being:

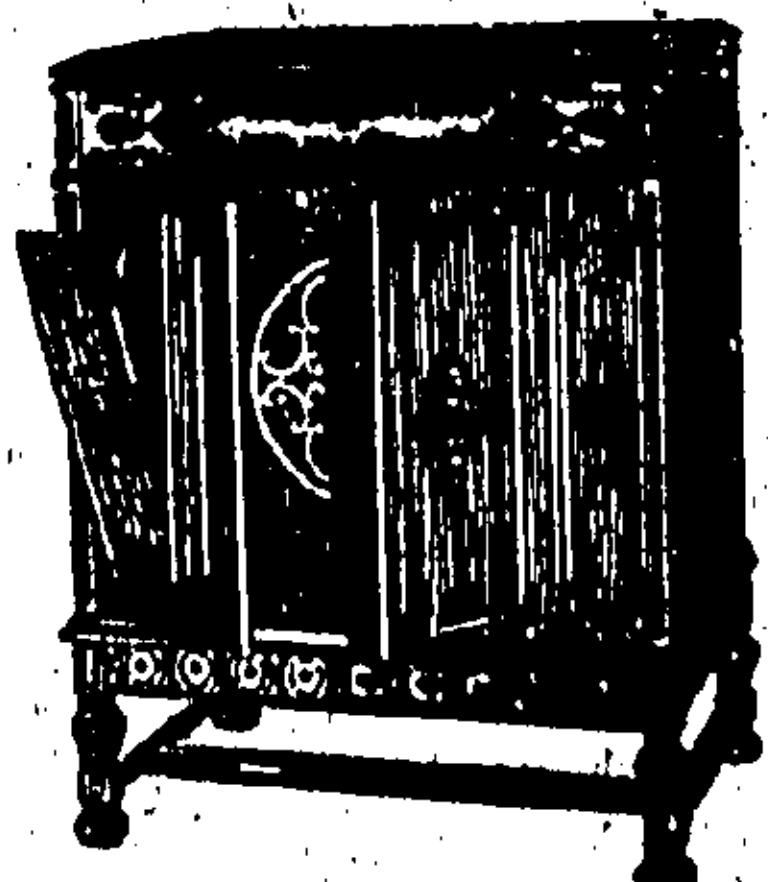
Division I.	
Blackburn	2 Newcastle 0
Division II.	
Port Vale	1 Southampton 2
Aberdeen	2 Kilmarnock 1
Glasgow Cup.	
Queen's Park	2 Clyde 1
Third Lanark	2 Celtic 2

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RIGHT TO MARRY.

ST. PETER'S Y.M.C. DIS-
APPROVE OF MOTION.

The motion "That international legislation should be instituted forthwith to prevent the marriage of physically or mentally unfit persons" was defeated after a debate at the St. Peter's Young Men's Club last night by a vote of 21 to eight.

Mr. P. Sands, who put forward the subject matter of the debate, dealt with it under four headings, namely, mutual companionship with which he associated the question of compatibility; potential parenthood, with that of eugenics and economics; co-operation of labour by the married couple in their respective spheres to maintain the home; and lastly, the benefit to the State resulting from such union. He expounded the well-known views which students of eugenics and economics hold on these matters, and argued that as a whole, the mentally and physically unfit are a burden on the nation and a parasitical menace to society at large.

Dr. B. W. Phoon, who headed the opposition, strenuously resisted the suggestion that the mass of the unfit should be "snuffed out" of this world. He quoted practical cases that had come within his observation to show how erroneous was the conception that only the unfit are born of the unfit. Amongst other things, he dubbed the proposal as cruel, unjust and unjustifiable.

Mr. A. E. Lee, Mr. West, Dr. G. H. Thomas and a few others also participated in the debate, which resulted in the defeat of the motion, as stated above.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chairman, the Rev. Mr. N. V. Halvard.

AIR DEFENCES.

ORGANISATION IN AUSTRALIA
AND NEW ZEALAND.

Wellington, N.Z., Sept. 24. Sir John Salmond has arrived at Auckland en route to Wellington to confer with the Government on the question of air defence.—*Reuter.*

[A message dated the 29th August stated that Sir John Salmond, who was making a flight round Australia in the course of his duties as Adviser to the Australian Government on the re-organisation of the Air Force, delivered a speech at a reception given on his arrival at Darwin, in which he said that it was quite possible that the construction of the Singapore Naval Base would throw a considerable responsibility on Darwin and that it was quite possible that an Air Force base would be created there.]

TELEPHONE SHARES.

UNISSUED CAPITAL OFFERED
TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Hongkong Telephone Company has circularised shareholders offering the present unissued capital of 160,960 shares of \$10 each at par. The basis of the offer is one share for every two held by shareholders and the first payment of \$2.50 must be made by those who accept on or before December 14.

On the shares originally allotted \$3.50 was paid (\$1 premium) and their value on the local share market at present is given as \$6.70.

CAPTURED LADY.

NO NEWS YET OF MISS
TOBIN'S FATE.

Peiping, Sept. 24. There is no further news of Miss Tobin, who belongs to the Church of England Zenana Missionary Society.—*Reuter.*

THE MADRID FIRE.

LATER DETAILS.

Madrid, Sept. 24. The fire was got under control at four o'clock in the morning after the theatre had been reduced to a heap of smouldering ashes. The total death-roll is not at present known but it is now believed that it is not so heavy as was originally feared. The number of injured is estimated at from 200 to 300.

A gruesome heap of twenty-five charred bodies was found piled in one of the landings. Eye-witnesses tell appalling stories of the scenes in the auditorium, which quickly became a blazing furnace. Thirty people with their clothing ablaze were seen among the panic-stricken audience, frantically rushing towards the exits. A man who had been badly trampled on, frantic with pain, ran wildly about outside the theatre beseeching news of his wife and five children with whom he was celebrating his birthday. Many other heartrending scenes were witnessed at the ambulance stations where relatives were searching for missing kindred.

There were weird scenes around the theatre. The fire put out of action the street lights, greatly hampering the work of the firemen until a party of army engineers arrived with huge flares.

The legal authorities, who arrived to open an enquiry, had to be escorted by men bearing torches, by the flickering light of which they commenced their work.—*Reuter.*

Forty-five bodies have up to the present been recovered from the ruins and over 350 injured.—*Reuter.*

Later: Eighty-five bodies have now been recovered from the ruins of the theatre and many persons who were injured seriously.—*Reuter.*

Cause of Fire.

The fusing of an electric wire and the failure of the safety curtain, and the fact that the theatre was wholly constructed of wood, caused the destruction of the Teatro Novedades. The fire was first noticed in the pit when flames shot out of the electric lamps and spread with extraordinary rapidity. The spectators in the third and fourth galleries swarmed down the pillars and some jumped into the pit.

The scene as the roof fell in on to the screaming, struggling and burning humans was a realistic replica of Dante's Inferno. The actors, orchestra and stage hands nearly all escaped at the back of the stage. When the Minister of Justice and the President of the Supreme Court arrived at two in the morning the spectacle was appalling. Corpses heaped near the door of the amphitheatre barred the way. It was also feared that the roof of the lounge might collapse at any moment.

One of the first persons rescued was a two year old child practically unhurt who had become wedged into a corner behind a broken door. Hundreds of panic-stricken people must have passed over it. Seven policemen were among the incinerated.—*Reuter.*

NEW CHINA MINT.

WILL WORK ON THE "FREE
COINAGE" BASIS.

Shanghai, Sept. 24. *Reuter* learns that the new Shanghai mint, situated on Ferry Road, is making steady progress and is expected to reach completion in six months. It will cost \$6,000,000 and will have a capacity for the coining of two million Sun Yat-sen dollars daily, in addition to a large output of subsidiary coins.

The mint will be under the control of the Nationalist Government assisted by a committee of Chinese bankers, and will work on the "free coinage" basis. It is planned to make the silver dollar the basic currency, abolishing the tael on July 1, 1929. When the mint is in full swing it is proposed to close up the Nanking and Hangchow mints.—*Reuter.*

AUSTRALIAN DISPUTE.

WATERSIDE WORKERS
REFUSE TO WORK.

Melbourne, Sept. 24.

The Interstate Conference of Maritime and Transport Unions is holding a meeting to-day to discuss the "back to work" motion. The chief obstacle is the difficulty of inducing the waterside workers to work with the non-unionist volunteers, who are assured of continuity of work under the new federal act just passed.

On the application of the shipowners Justice Detheridge in the Arbitration Court has ordered the suspension at Fremantle, Adelaide and some other ports concerned, of the clauses of the waterside workers' award granting preference to trade unionists. The decision means that the owners are legally entitled to employ volunteers under the award to replace the regular dock workers, who, in defiance of their Union are standing out against the award providing for two engagements of labour daily instead of one.

Already 670 volunteers have been enrolled here and the loading of overseas vessels is proceeding without a hitch. There have been no disturbances so far, a police car following each motor coach to the wharf from the labour bureau, which is protected by mounted police. Two trade unionists have been sentenced respectively to a fortnight imprisonment and a fine of \$10 or one month imprisonment for assaulting volunteers.

Declaring that the executive of the Waterside Workers Federation are unable to control their members, the shipowners have withdrawn their promise to consider a conference with the Federation if the men resumed work. The shipowners are determined that the trade unionists shall not replace the non-unionist volunteers.—*Reuter.*

A LEPER RIOT.

OBJECTION TO TREATMENT
CREATES DISTURBANCE.

Batavia, Sept. 24.

When Assistant Commissioner Gajoles of northern Sumatra visited the leper colony in an endeavour to persuade the lepers to undergo the treatment which they objected, 29 lepers, including a number of women attacked the inspector and his military escort. The latter were forced to fire in self-defence, and killed ten and wounded four lepers, including four women killed and two wounded. There were no casualties among the military.—*Reuter.*

ESPIONAGE CHARGE.

WHITE RUSSIANS ARRESTED
IN EAST POLAND.

Warsaw, Sept. 24.

It is reported from the eastern border of Poland that the military have arrested several members of a supposed espionage organisation, composed mainly of White Russian school teachers and university students. One member of the organisation, an army non-commissioned officer, was caught stealing mobilisation plans at Baranowicz and court-martialled. He was shot. Other alleged spies were imprisoned.—*Reuter.*

RUBBER ESTATES.

AMALGAMATION OF ST. IVES
AND AMHERST REPORTED.

Singapore, Sept. 24.

The amalgamation of the St. Ives and Amherst estates (Selangor) rubber companies is announced.—*Reuter.*

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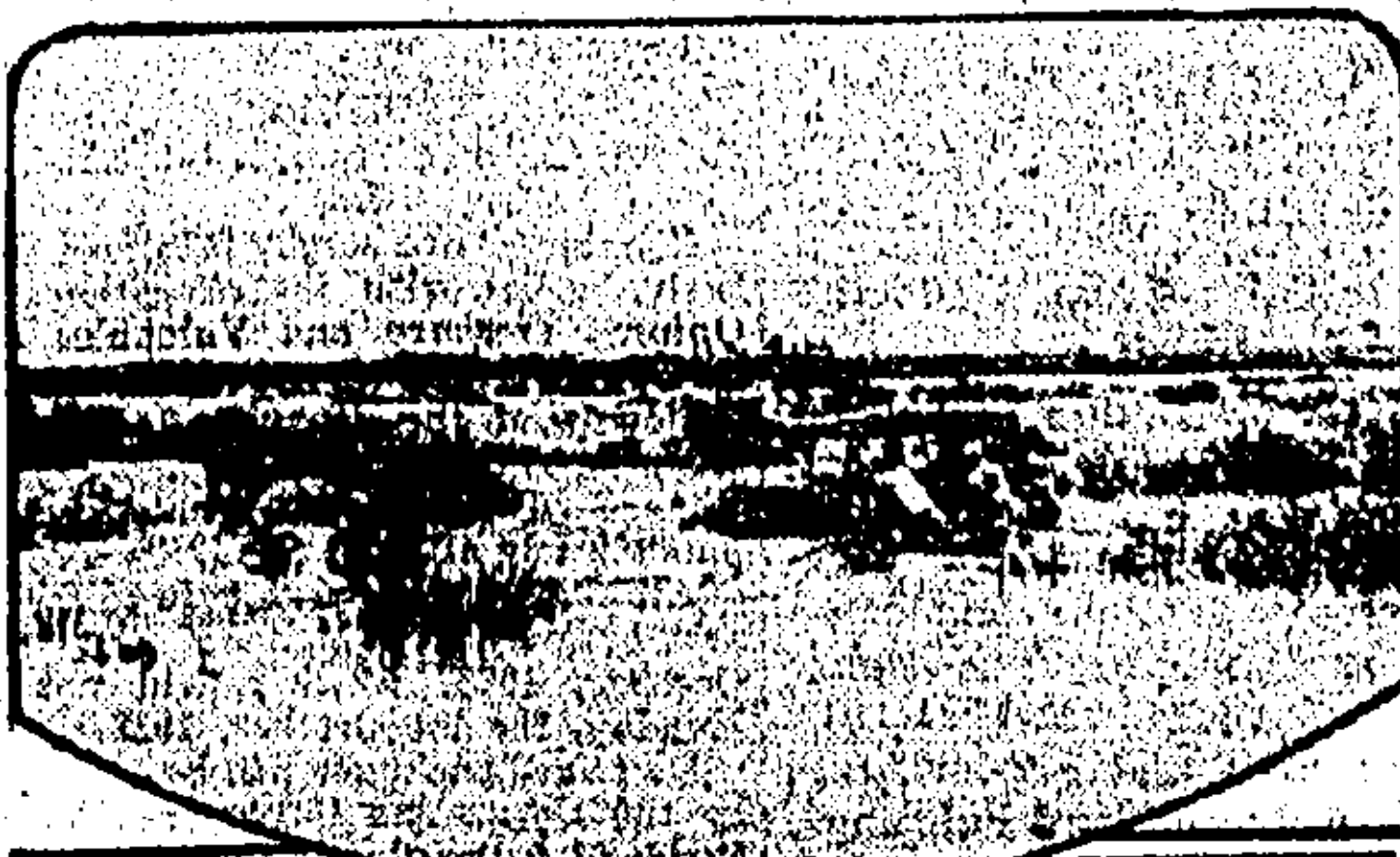
FLORIDA HURRICANE HAVOC: PRELUDE TO LAST WEEK'S DISASTER.



The havoc-wreaking hurricane which has devastated Florida, had a forerunner only a month before in the form of a hurricane of only slightly less violence. Highways and buildings were flooded. Top picture shows a horseman, ploughing through the floods, and the bottom some wrecked houses.



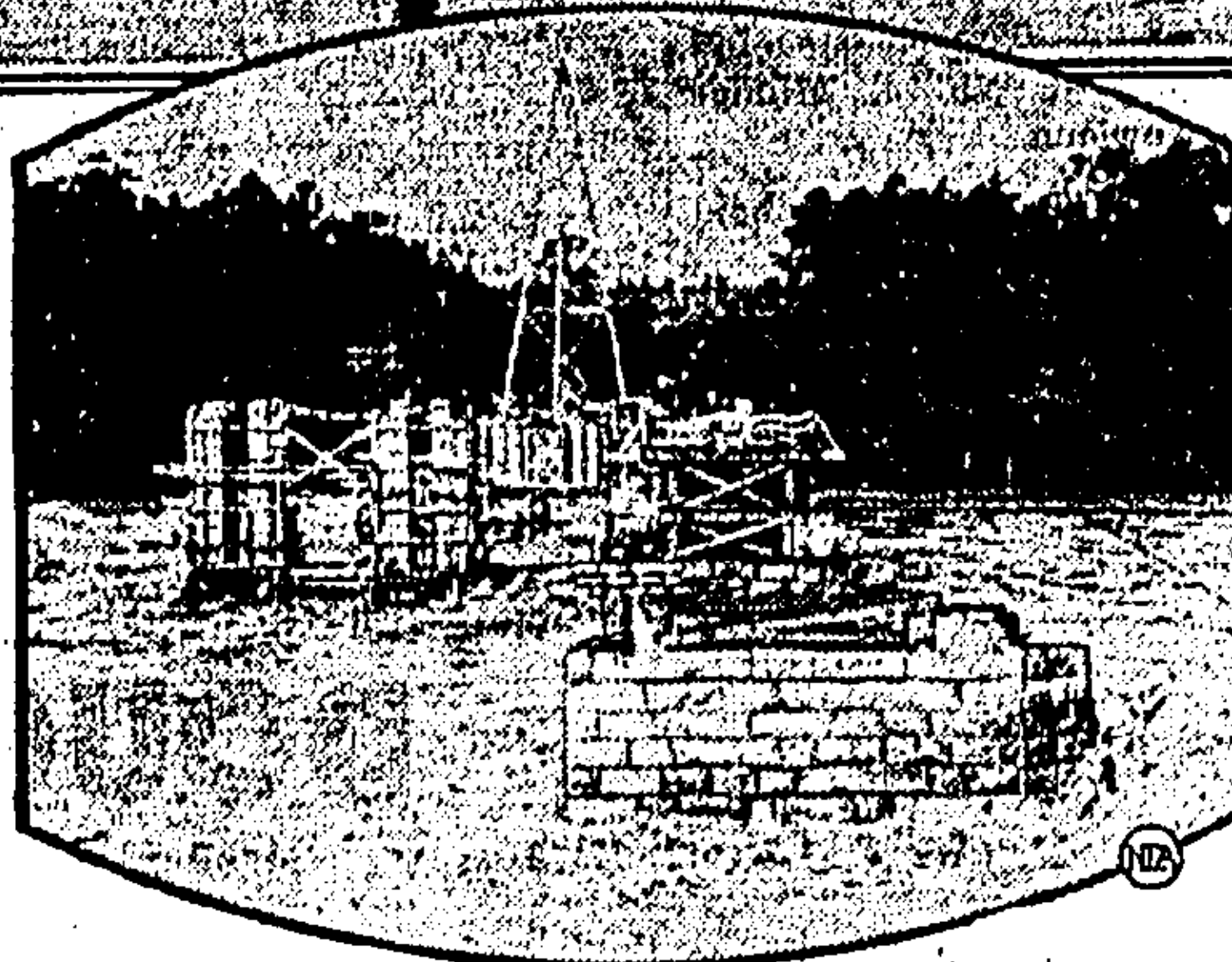
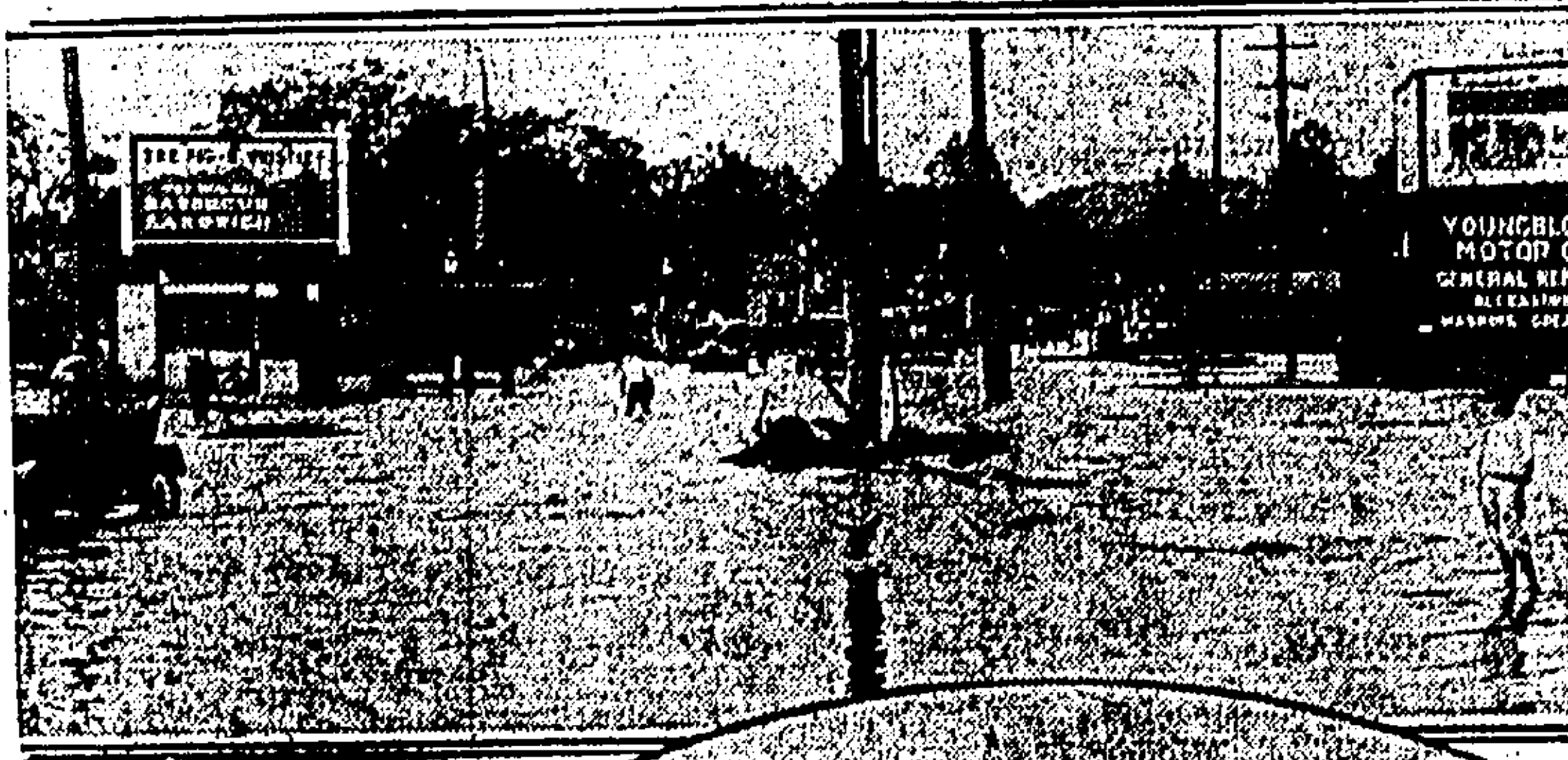
El Quafi, the French Arabian runner, who furnished the greatest surprise of the Olympic Games at Amsterdam, by defeating the world's best in the Marathon.



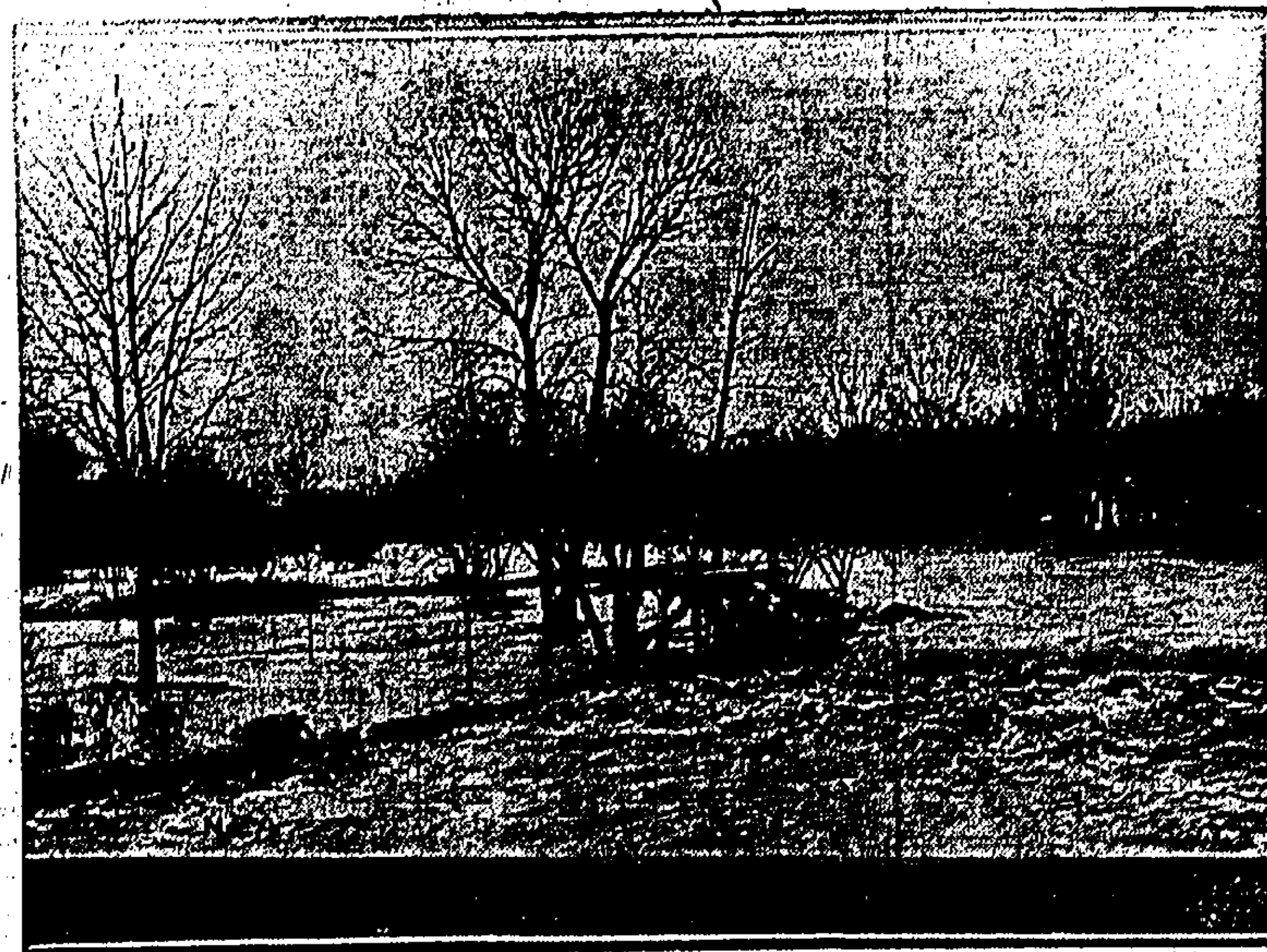
The aftermath of the first Florida hurricane was the torrential rain. The half-submerged motor-car in the upper picture was taken just outside Okeechobee. The bottom picture was a flashlight, taken while the gale still blew, of a bridge which was wrecked. Okeechobee also suffered severely last week.



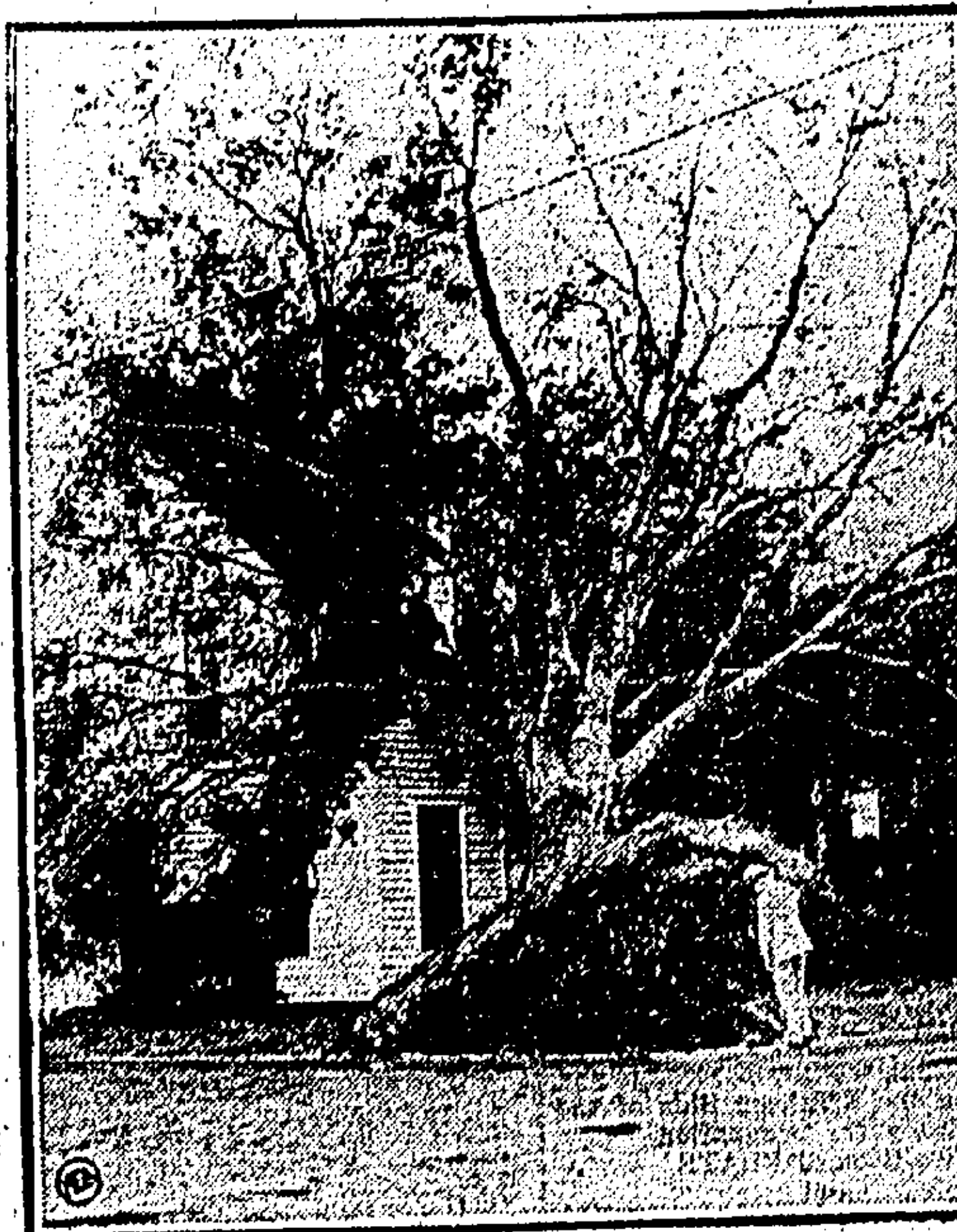
A charming dance given by small children at Mokanshan.



Furious storms in North and South Carolina were responsible for the above scenes, the top taken in Asheville, and the bottom one, showing what was left of a bridge near Columbia. Seven men narrowly escaped when the bridge was carried away, saving themselves by clinging to a cable.



Two pictures illustrating the extent of the floods brought by the first Florida hurricane.



The picture gives a graphic idea of the force of the first Florida hurricane, which was a prelude to last week's terrible disaster. The oak, over 100 years old, was torn up bodily by the roots and planted in front of a fruit farm house.



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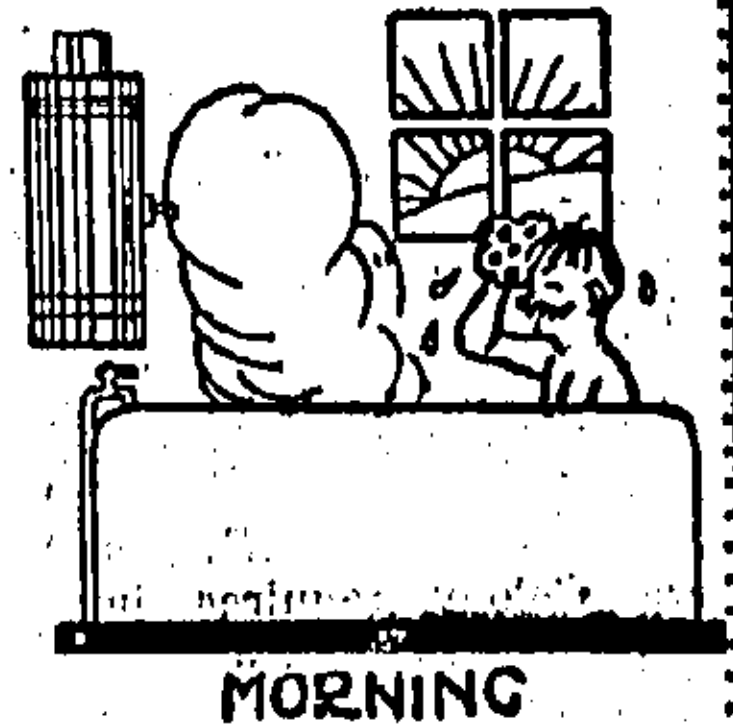
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MACAO CHARITY AND COMMERCIAL FAIR.

NOTICE.

The General Committee of the Macao Charity and Commercial Fair announce that the opening date of the Fair has been officially fixed for 3rd November, 1928, at 9 p.m. weather permitting, and the closing date on the 22nd December, 1928.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that THE SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, 2, Lower Albert Road, Hongkong on FRIDAY, 12th October, 1928, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts, and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 28th September to the 12th October, 1928, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors,

M. MANUK, Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1928.

NOTICE.

At the request of Mr. Mathieu, Public Notary at Saigon, the undersigned, Acting-Chancellor of the French Consulate, in Hongkong, informs those whom it may concern that the sale of a.s. "Hwah Cheng" has been agreed upon between the owners, the South China Steamship Company of Shanghai, and the buyers, the Firm of Yee Cheong & Co., of Saigon.

Should any person have any claim or lien of such a nature as to prevent or obstruct the sale or postpone the payment of the purchase money, they are requested to make or produce the same within fourteen days from the date of this notice, at the office of the French Consulate in Hongkong, Alexandra Building, Top Floor, Room No. 23.

After the above mentioned period of fourteen days the sale will be completed and no claims or liens against the a.s. "Hwah Cheng" will be effective or entertained thereafter.

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Macau, 20th Sept., 1928.

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3—You must have a complete word of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4—The order of letters cannot be changed.

One solution is printed on another page.

A special meeting of the National Union of Teachers will discuss in London the case of the Leigh teacher whose salary the Education Committee refused to pay after her marriage.

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INWARD MAILS.		Due
From	For	
Amoy and Swatow	Van Heuts	September 26.
Japan and Shanghai	St. Albans	September 26.
Europe via Suez, letters and papers	Kashgar	September 28
London 23rd August	Khiva	September 28.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pros. Cleveland	September 28.
Manila	Empress of Canada	September 30.
Japan and Shanghai	Fushimi Maru	October 5.
Australia and Manila	Change	October 9.
OUTWARD MAILS.		Date and Time.
For	For	
Manila	Emp. of Canada	Tues., Sept. 25, 3.30 p.m.
San Shui and Wuchow	Kwong Ying	Tues., Sept. 25, 4 p.m.
Amoy	Sinking	Tues., Sept. 25, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	Pros. Lincoln	Tues., Sept. 25, 4.30 p.m.
Swatow	Chaksang	Wed., Sept. 26, 10.30 a.m.
Amoy and Japan	Kutsang	Wed., Sept. 26, 10.30 a.m.
Manila and Java via Sourabaya	Tyltaroom	Wed., Sept. 26, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Hupoh	Wed., Sept. 26, 4.30 p.m.
Holhow and Halphong	Mcnead Maru	Thurs., Sept. 27, 8.30 a.m.
Straits	Van Heuts	Thurs., Sept. 27, 10.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Hinsang	Thurs., Sept. 27, 1.30 p.m.
Hohow, Pakhoi and Halphong	Tean	Thurs., Sept. 27, 1.30 p.m.
Chennan	Chennan	Thurs., Sept. 27, 4.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ching	Fri., Sept. 28, 2 p.m.
Manila, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	St. Albans	Fri., Sept. 28, noon.
Registration		1.45 p.m.
Letters		2.30 p.m.
(Due Thursday Island 18th October).		
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Khiva	Fri., Sept. 28, 6 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kashgar	Sat., Sept. 29.
Registration		23rd 4.30 p.m.
Letters		29th 9 a.m.
G.P.O.		10 a.m.
Parcels		28th 5 p.m.
Registration		29th 9.45 a.m.
Letters		10.30 a.m.
(Due Marseilles 27th Oct.)		
Japan	Bokuyo Maru	Sat., Sept. 29, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Szechuen	Sat., Sept. 29, 6 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kishu Maru	Sun., Sept. 30, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kaying	Sun., Sept. 30, 9 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu and San Francisco and Europe via Siberia	Siberia Maru	Tues., Oct. 2, 9.45 a.m.
Registration		10.30 a.m.
Letters		10.30 a.m.
(Due San Francisco 26th Sept.)		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Halvard	Tues., Oct. 2, 11 a.m.
Swatow	Kwongsang	Wed., Oct. 3, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America, Europe via Vancouver B.C. and Europe via Siberia	Empress of Canada	Wed., Oct. 3, 5 p.m.
Registration		5.15 a.m.
Letters		10 a.m.
(Due Vancouver, B.C. 20th October)		
Fooksang		Fri., Oct. 5, 1.30 p.m.
(Due Marseilles 4th November)		

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

SINCERE COMPANY WINS CASE.

(Continued from Page 7.)

The only point for me to consider is whether the plaintiff's manager did, in fact agree to take back such goods as the syndicate were unable to sell. I reserved my decision on the point in order that I might consider the evidence which had been put before me on the three occasions when I sat to hear this case.

Conflict of Evidence.

There is a conflict of evidence on the point. The defendant contends that there was an agreement, the plaintiff denies it. It is for the defendant to satisfy me that his contention is correct. Looking at the facts, the first point is that the plaintiff's business is that of a cash store, though I believe they give credit to customers who are known to them. The defendant was unknown to them. He went and asked for credit and the plaintiff gave him credit on his paying a cash deposit and in view of the fact that the defendant told them that a considerable amount of business might be done. The plaintiff went further and offered to do business with the defendant at wholesale prices. Why should they go even further and agree to take back any goods unsold by the defendant. The plaintiff do not run a philanthropic institution. They were not going to make their usual profit on the goods which were sold. I see no reason why they should go to the length of agreeing to take back unsold goods in the circumstances.

Defendant's Slackness.

The defendant's witnesses all say that the plaintiff agreed to take back such unsold goods. They also said they recognised the importance of having something in writing to that effect and yet, on their own evidence, they do not appear to have taken any energetic steps at the time. According to their own statements, they allowed themselves to be put off by the manager of the plaintiff, who was not even asked in cross-examination whether he was asked to put anything in writing, if he had actually agreed to take back unsold goods. I see no reason whatever why he should have raised any objection had the defendant's witness really pressed the point. Two of the defendant's witnesses said that they got the manager to add the words "Transferred to Credit of Cash Ac-



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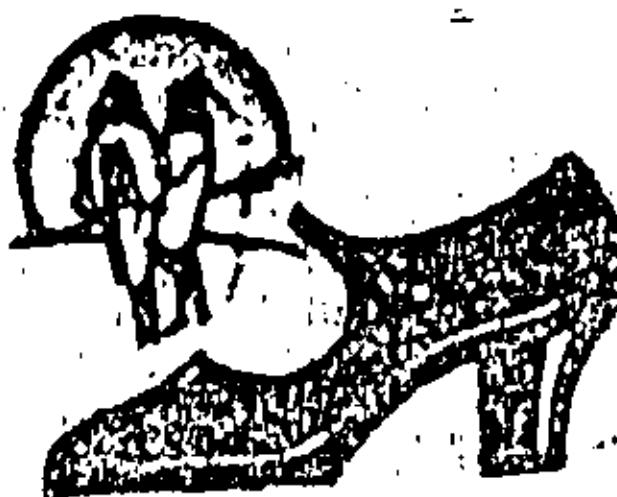


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WHEN BABY BEGINS TO WALK.

How often does one hear that such and such a child is "learning" to walk? Yet the word is hardly applicable to what is, after all, just a natural development of physical powers. Left to himself on a desert island, if such a thing were possible, a normal babe would first pull himself up by roots or shrubs; then stand upright, holding on; next totter from one support to another; finally trot about. Under similar impossible conditions, however, he would never speak. You do, then, teach a child to talk, but never to walk.

The first thing with regard to walking is thus to guard against the inclination to "teach" it. Normally your babe will be pulling himself up at 9 months, just as he held his head up at less than half that age, and sat erect half-way through the first year. By his first birthday or before, he will take those first tottering steps, and before you know where you are will be trotting about.

Late Walkers.
But perhaps this doesn't happen. When then, you ask? Well, there is a cause for it. Probably he is over-heavy, either because he is big for his age, which is all right, or because he is too fat, which isn't. Anyhow, Nature is safeguarding him by making him "backward," for his little bones are not equal to the weight of the heavy body, and should not be made to bear it.

If there is any weakness of the bones, as in a rickety condition—late teething, excessive sweating, especially round the back of the neck, and, above all, tiny nodules at wrist and ankles are the danger signals—he will have to be saved from himself by frustrating any



Simplicity is the keynote of the new season's tailored frocks, of which this model is a typical example. Carried out in coffee coloured fine cloth, it relies on nothing but rows and rows of silk stitching for its smart finish. The skirt also is worthy of note, having the uneven hem merely suggested by means of cleverly introduced flares.

FABRICS FIND
NEW FAVOUR
THIS AUTUMN.

That fabrics are coming into their own this autumn is predicted by Mme. Helen Volka, eminent fashionist.

"Symphony, in the past few years, has been a word much ban-



Mme. Helen Volka.

died about in describing an especially harmonious dress ensemble," she said.

"But to the majority of women the fabric utilized in composing the costume has been a mere obligato to the effect considered as a whole.

"This season, however, materials of design interest have leaped boldly into the solo positions. Fabric has suddenly become the thing.

Of late, the frequency with which one has encountered arresting design, especially upon diaphanous materials, has charmed us into the recognition that important art motifs and marvels of modulated colour are acknowledged by the style-wise as the essence of chic.

"And, almost overwhelmingly, design and colour carry on for autumn and winter. Whether of velvet, crepe satin, the transparencies or the irresistibly appealing new metal cloths, the smart woollens, or latest velveteens, Paris and New York acclaim the steadily rising vogue of printed or woven fabric design."

endeavour to walk or stand. Otherwise (as most people know in theory, but alas! only too often ignore in practice) the leg bones will bend, with knock knees or bow legs as the result.

In any case, it is best to leave him alone. If, as the second year proceeds, he still shows no signs of making up for lost time, ask a doctor about it. There may be disabilities, but this is very rare.

The Second Year.
Between the first and second birthday the child may be the judge of his own activities, always with the proviso that sharp-cornered furniture is guarded against and doors through which stairs may be reached are kept rigidly closed. Afterwards, through the toddler stage, it is often wise to make a small person sit down sometimes, or through incessant standing and running about he will overtire himself and be unable to benefit by the outdoor exercise he is then old enough to enjoy.

Don't fuss your little one. Don't try to save him tumbles, even bumps or knocks of the kind which will not do him real harm. And don't sympathise emotionally with him when they occur. He takes his tone from you, and if you strengthen, instead of weakening his endurance, he will soon learn to make light of small hurts. This does not mean that you must not "kiss the place" and

Cocktails as Hors d'oeuvres.

Lobster.—Mix two teaspoonfuls of tomato ketchup with one of Worcester Sauce, one of vinegar, one of lemon juice, add salt and paprika, and put in pieces of cold lobster. Serve in a stem glass containing a very little ice.

Crab, prawn, and shrimp cocktails are made in the same way. Grape fruit juice may be substituted for vinegar and a little cream may be added.

Fruit Cocktail.—Scoop out some balls from a dessert apple with a vegetable scoop, add some peeled, halved and stoned grapes, a slice of pineapple cut into dice, and a sliced banana. Add the juice of a lemon and a little pineapple syrup. Keep on ice until ready to serve, then put into stem glasses.

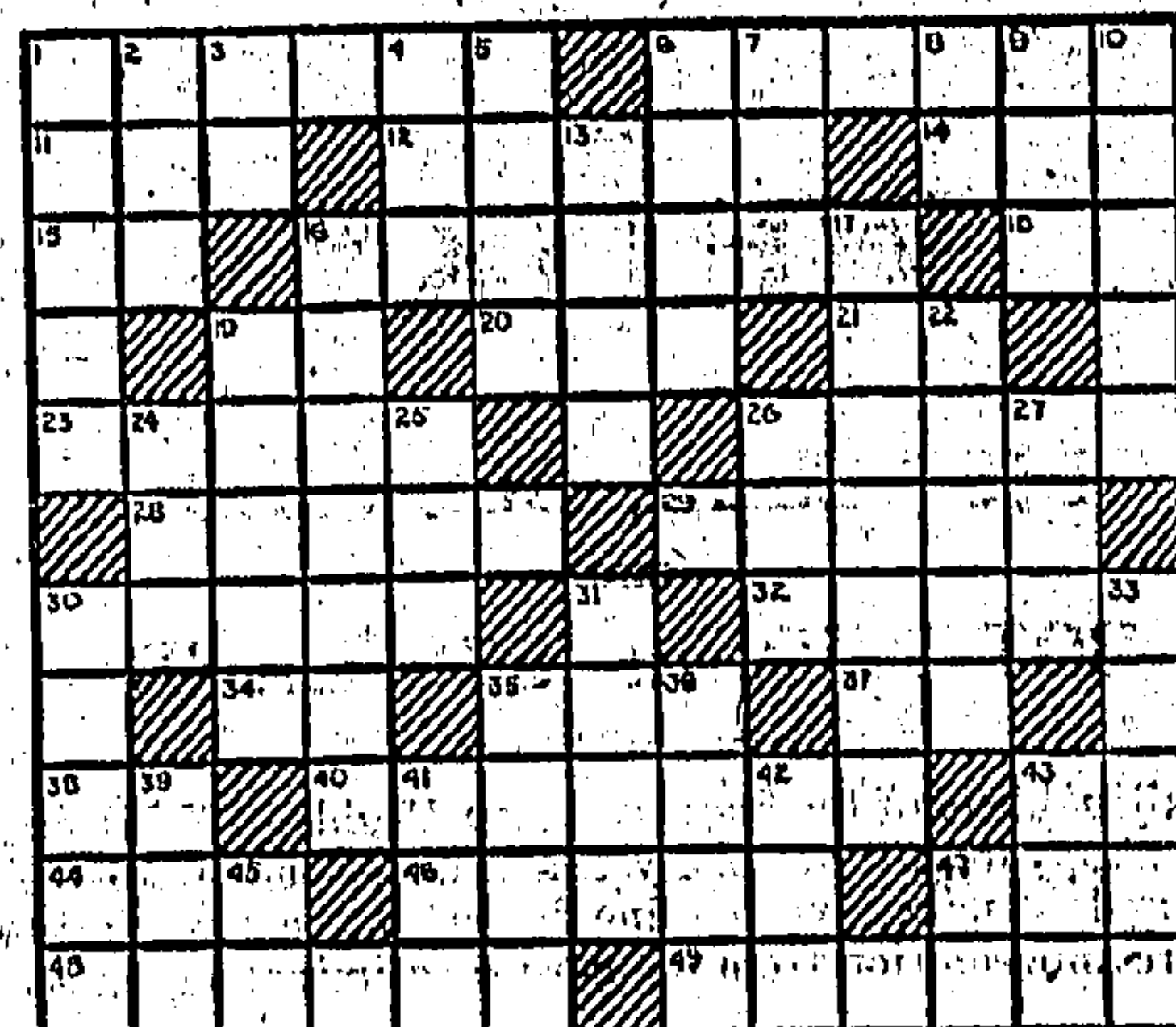
Vegetable Cocktail.—Mix some small balls of cooked carrots, turnips, cucumber, and green peas with two tablespoonfuls of oil, one of vinegar, salt, pepper, and paprika. Sprinkle with finely chopped herbs, chill on ice, and serve in glasses.

comfort the baby tears; but there is a right and a wrong way to do it, which a little thought will make clear. Most certainly the habit of "hitting the naughty floor" and so on stands self-condemned. The way in which vindictiveness is deliberately taught to little children in this way is sad indeed.



A mid-ocean beauty contest took place recently aboard the Cunard liner Aquitania. Pictured is the winner, Miss Jessie Johnson, a brunette Mississippian.

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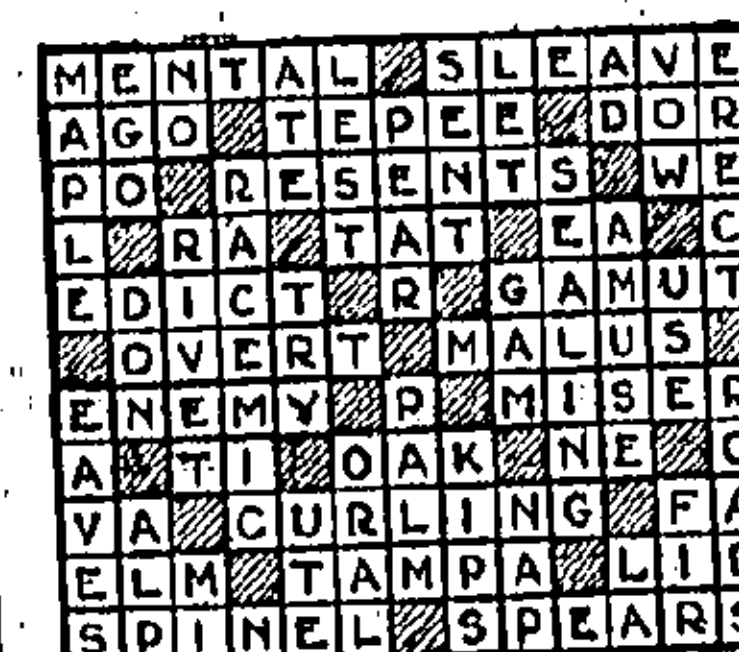
- 1 Which is the largest island in the Mediterranean Sea?
- 6 What is the name of the "North Wind"?
- 11 Duple.
- 12 Pervert.
- 14 Portion of the mouth.
- 15 To exist.
- 16 Released a prisoner on condition of good behaviour.
- 18 Melancholy note in a scale.
- 19 Measure of area.
- 20 Adverbial negative.
- 21 Hypothetical structural unit.
- 22 Diner.
- 23 Murdered.
- 24 Acted as a model.
- 29 Vessels.
- 30 Dogma.
- 32 Butt of a cigar.
- 34 Half an cm.
- 35 To skip.
- 37 Standard of type measure.
- 38 Exclamation of inquiry.
- 40 Followed after.
- 43 Interjection of laughter.
- 44 Inlet.
- 46 More venerable.
- 47 Male.
- 48 The president-elect of what country was recently murdered?
- 49 What was Michelangelo?

Vertical

- 1 What is the most valuable fur-bearing animal of the marten family?
- 2 Small fresh-water fish.
- 3 Abbreviation for company.
- 4 Field.
- 5 Woollen thread.
- 6 A giraffe.
- 7 Native metal.

- 8 Dainty.
- 9 To be sick.
- 10 What country supplied Columbus with money to enable him to sail the Atlantic ocean?
- 13 Virtuous.
- 16 To give.
- 17 Expanded.
- 19 To make reparation.
- 22 Granted fact.
- 24 To imitate.
- 25 To soak flax.
- 26 Cry for help at sea.
- 27 Theatrical theory.
- 30 What unit is equal to 1,000 great calories?
- 31 Vacant or null.
- 33 To sow.
- 35 Nimbus.
- 36 An argument.
- 39 To hasten.
- 41 Huge fabulous bird.
- 42 To -in.
- 43 For seas.
- 45 Cutting tool.
- 47 Third note in scale.

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GOVERNMENT COSTS.

Extremely interesting results would no doubt be disclosed if the Colony's Budget could be dissected with a view to discovering what percentage of our expenditure is absorbed in the cost of government, and how much is devoted to under takings from which the public secures some direct benefit. The task is one for some mathematically-minded person, with the facts and figures at his disposal; but we fear that none of our Unofficials would be able to find the necessary time to probe matters to this extent. In time for the debate on the Budget Bill. A rough glance through the Estimates shows that in personal emoluments and allowances alone, a sum of over nine million dollars is eaten up—this on outgoings totalling some nineteen millions. If we add to this figure all the other sums which are part and parcel of the cost of administration, we should find quite a small proportion left for the public. It is inevitable, of course, that there should be a big disparity between administrative expenses and sums spent on public undertakings. For it to be otherwise would need the raising of a tremendously much bigger sum of revenue than the Colony now enjoys, and this, in turn, would increase governmental costs. But the question does arise whether the Government machine does not absorb too much of our money; certainly the amount is steadily increasing every year.

The prospects of yet a further sum being added to this amount are foreshadowed by the Colonial Secretary's hint last Thursday that a new block of Government offices will have to be made provision for in the near future. It is impossible as yet to estimate the amount of money which will be needed for this purpose, as no intimation of the Government's ideas on the subject has been forthcoming beyond a suggestion that Beaconsfield Arcade may be the possible site. If that idea is acted upon, it will, of course, be necessary to demolish the present buildings on that site and erect new premises in the place thereof. The suitability of the site for such a purpose depends very largely on the nature of the scheme which the authorities have in contemplation. As we have already observed, it does seem a pity that in the

past there has not been sufficient foresight when dealing with this question of Government office accommodation. We have too long followed a hand-to-mouth policy, with the result that Government offices are to be found dotted all over the city, rather than centralised in one really big administrative block, which the Colony still lacks. What should have been done when it became apparent that we were insufficiently provided for in this respect was to have designed a building of a type which would permit of extensions as necessity permitted. Had that been done, it might never have been necessary to have erected the additional detached P.W.D. offices near Murray Battery, or, for that matter, to have started adding a further storey to the Colonial Secretariat Building at what will be a heavy cost. This very site would have lent itself admirably for the purpose of a block which could have been extended as time went on. The point now suggests itself that even with the new building which the Government has in view the Colony may again, some years hence, find itself short of accommodation. That factor needs to be kept in mind, and we trust that it will be possible to devise some method by which this constant erection of new separate buildings will be avoided. This is a matter which we commend to the notice of our Unofficials, in the hope that they will keep an eye on developments so as to prevent any unnecessary outlay of further public money. It will be too late once the Government plans are cut-and-dried.

Election Fight Signalled.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin's return to London, refreshed and vigorous, has a special significance. It may be taken as a signal for the opening of the great political campaign which will be waged by all the parties both in the House and out of it during the next few months. The General Election is a long way off insofar as it interests the ordinary individual, but the actions and utterances of the Government, and of the Opposition, during the next Parliamentary Session, with the life of the Government gradually drawing to a close, will be almost entirely guided by popular appeal. It is not likely to be suggested that this makes for good government, but in the circumstances it is inevitable. During the next three or four weeks, all political parties will be preparing to face the broad national issues on which they will go to the country next year. It is fairly certain that in the breathing space afforded him at Aix-les-Bains, Mr. Baldwin has been turning over in his mind the programme which he is expected to outline at the Conservative Party Conference which opens at Yarmouth to-morrow. We do not envy him his task. The Conservatives will be judged not so much on a formal statement of policy, but by their record. Assessed without bias, it is one revealing much achievement, particularly in the foreign field, and many mistakes. The vast scheme of rating reform, whatever present opinion of its value, will not have had a fair chance. In the meantime, the efforts of the past four years to combat unemployment, have collapsed and the position is worse to-day than for many years. Mr. Baldwin has yet to disclose his real beliefs as regards Protectionism, but this much is certain, an energetic and powerful section of his supporters will endeavour to include a strong all-embracing safeguarding scheme in the Conservative programme for the General Election. We anticipate that the Ministers, supporting the Premier, will strongly resist any extension of such proposals beyond the pledge made to the country in 1924. It is curious that the Liberal Party, which appears to be united again, has also chosen Yarmouth for its party conference. Plans have been completed for the meetings which will open on October 11th, when an ambitious programme is to be outlined. The Labour Party Conference will follow very shortly. It would be idle to attempt a forecast of the consequences of these all-important gatherings. The factors are too many and too doubtful. The increase of the electorate by five million women voters presents the principal hazard for political prophets. Of only one thing can we be certain, that the struggle will be the keenest in the modern history of England.

DAY BY DAY.

AND HOW HIS AUDIT STANDS WHO KNOWS, SAVE HEAVEN!—Shakespeare.

Hongkong has been declared plague free by the authorities of the Dutch East Indies.

The R.M.S. Empress of Canada (from Manila) is due here at 9 a.m. on Sunday next, and will berth at the wharf.

The P. and O. s.s. Lahore left Singapore on the 24th instant at 4 p.m. with Mail, and is due here on the 28th instant at about 4 p.m.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Lieut. R. F. Wright, R.A., R. A. Mess, Kowloon, to Miss E. M. Sinton, Banford House, Gilford.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins, Hongkong Civil Service, Observatory Quarters, Kowloon, to Miss G. H. Johnstone, Sale, Cheshire, en route to Hongkong on board the s.s. Khyber.

The Rev. F. C. Young, on leaving the Bellingham Church, London, S.E., for Hongkong, was presented with a silver cigarette case by the Bellingham branch of Toc E. of which he was Padre, and which owed its beginnings to him.

In the lists of the annual examination of the Royal Drawing Society, London, held in June this year, eleven of the twelve pupils from Quarry Bay School who entered the Preparatory Division received Certificates of Merit (seven with Honours).

We owe an apology to the State of Chile for a caption appearing in yesterday's issue. "Chilean Revolt," the heading read, but as a matter of fact the revolt is at La Paz, in Bolivia. The error arose from the fact that the message was dated from Santiago de Chile.

Pleading guilty to a charge of stealing a clock and a pair of scissors from a school at No. 145, Wanchai Street, Chinese was this morning sentenced by Mr. R. E. Lindsell to four weeks' hard labour. Defendant was seen by a Chinese detective in Wanchai, with the clock in his possession.

At the P.W.D. land sales yesterday, an area of 3,000 square feet at the junction of Ki Lung Street and Shek Kip Mei Street was sold at the upset price of \$4,012. Despite the presence of a large number of Chinese at the auction there were no bids above the upset price. The purchasers were Messrs. Chung Yeh-hing and Kong Wong of No. 17 Mow Lam Street, Yau-mat.

Two Chinese women, arrested for carrying a pig in a crate which had not been provided with matting, were each fined \$1 on their appearance before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of causing unnecessary cruelty to the pig. It was stated that no injury was caused to the animal.

The hearing of the case in which two Chinese arrested in Shaukiwan are charged with possession of arms has been provisionally fixed for Thursday. It will be recalled that one of the men on being approached by a Chinese detective, attempted to run away, and was shot in the leg. He has been in hospital since Thursday last.

This morning Harbour Office Reports gave 16 arrivals and 15 departures, of which eight and six respectively were British, leaving 62 vessels in port, British 21. Tonnage was over the 60,000 ton mark, with better inward cargoes and reduced through freights. British topped the list in freights, with over 32,000 tons total, while the same nationally registered all the high figures of the day.

Members of the Ex-Active Service Men's Association gave a complimentary dinner on Saturday night to Lieut.-Col. F. Hayley Bell, D.S.O., the President of the organisation, in view of his impending departure from the Colony. Colonel Hayley Bell, who is Commissioner of Customs for the Kowloon District, goes on leave on Saturday next and will in all probability not return to the Colony.

The health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ended Saturday, Sept. 15, issued by the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, contains the following cases, the figures in parentheses indicating deaths: Plague, Bombay (6), Calcutta (1), Rangoon (1), Colombo (1), Penang (2), Tientsin (1), Chongqing, Calcutta (10), Madras (10), Negapatam (6), Rangoon (1), Pondicherry (1), Shanghai (3); Small-pox, Bombay (2), Madras 29, Negapatam 5 (3), Pondicherry (3), Belawan Deli 5 (2), Pontianak 1; Sourabaya 3, Penang 3 (3).

THE POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS FOR THE WEEK AND GRAND TATTOO.

The Police Reserve Orders issued by Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, the Captain Superintendent of Police, state:—

Police Training School.

The weekly classes for Police Reservists of the Police Training School, Kowloon, will be held on Tuesday, September 25th, and October 2nd, at 6.00 p.m. sharp. All members of the Chinese and Indian Companies and of the Flying Squad who have not yet passed Part 2 of Training Course must attend.

Squad Drill.

All recruits of the Chinese and Indian Companies, and of the Flying Squad will parade at Central Police Station on Thursday, September 27th, at 5.30 p.m. sharp for Squad Drill under Sergeant Condon. Dress—Muff.

Chinese Company.

All advanced men of the Chinese Company will attend at the Central Police Station on Thursday, September 27th, at 5.30 p.m. sharp for Rifle Exercises, Extended.

About Hong Kong.

Do you know that—

In the early days of the Colony there was a movement started for the erection of a Union Church, both for Anglicans and Nonconformists, instead of a purely Church of England building?

This was in 1843, but the Government disapproved the idea and appointed a Colonial Chaplain, with the result that Anglican services were conducted in a temporary structure known as the Matched Church, and a new building (now St. John's Cathedral) was ordered to be commenced at Government expense. The first Colonial Chaplain, the Rev. V. J. Stanton, preached his first sermon in the Matched Church on Christmas Eve, 1843.

Building operations on the new Colonial Church were delayed for some years, owing to the Home Government postponing its sanction, but it was eventually opened on March 11th, 1849, and the management was transferred from the Colonial Chaplain to the Bishop of Victoria, letters patent having been issued declaring the Colony to be a Diocese.

Bishop G. Smith arrived in March, 1850, and he consecrated the Cathedral in the following September.

The foundation stone of the new Chancel was laid on November 10, 1863, by H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh.

ed Order and Baton Drill under Sergeant Condon. Dress—Muff; Rifle, Belt, Side-arms, and Truncheon to be carried.

Indian Company.

All ranks of the Indian Company are reminded of the parade to be held at Central Police Station on Tuesday, September 25th, at 5.30 p.m. sharp; for details, see last week's orders.

Flying Squad.

Strength. Constable R309 Robert Young is permitted to resign on leaving the Colony for Shanghai, and upon completing one full year's service with effect from September 24th.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Tuesday, September 25th. Fall in at the Tsim-tai-tai Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Khaki Uniform.

The final instructional patrol of the month of the Hongkong Section will take place on Thursday, September 27th, and all members are requested to attend. Fall in at the Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Khaki Uniform.

Sharpshooters' Company.

Revolver practice will be carried out on Kennedy Road Range on Sunday, October 7th, at 10 a.m. Members will assemble at the Range at that time, with belts and holsters with revolvers. Uniform optional. Members are advised to get in as much snappy practice as possible before that date.

Grand Tattoo.

Company Commanders are requested to send in to the Adjutant as soon as possible a list of their respective members volunteering for Police Duty in connexion with the Grand Tattoo. (Sgd.) W. KENT, A.S.P., Adjutant.

The Very Idea!

Two young golfers who appeared on the links at Whitstable wearing orange and mauve bathing costumes and slacks have created a storm. Although warned by the secretary that such a costume was highly improper, they calmly drove off from the first tee. There are sharp differences of opinion, however, as to the propriety or otherwise of wearing bathing costumes on the links.

One section of golfers—the younger men and women—contend that the idea of a bathing costume "top" and shorts being immodest is absurd.

"Provided one doesn't commit the unpardonable sin of exposing one's braces or shirt sleeves to the world, what does it matter?" was the view of one young member.

"Some of the costumes one sees on the links are simply hideous. In my view a little novelty and brightness in one's attire is badly needed at the present time. There should be a special hot-weather costume designed for golfers. Why they should be compelled to wear thick plus fours and stifling pull-overs I cannot say."

On the other hand the more elderly golfers look upon these novel opinions with undisguised horror.

"The modesty or immodesty of a bathing costume worn on the links does not concern me," said one man. "It is my view that such a dress outrages the time-honoured customs of an ancient and honourable game."

A professor was engaged in an argument with a friend, and the latter, losing his temper, said:—

"Professor, my opinion of you is most contemptible."

"Sir," retorted the Professor, "I never knew of any opinion of yours that was not contemptible."

Defendant in a "language" case: The three of us had three drinks at the hotel, bought a dozen bottles of beer, went across the road and drank them. We finished at about 11 o'clock.

Sub-inspector Coman: That was not bad drinking?

Defendant: Poor drinking.

Sub-inspector Coman: Well, I would not like to be "shouting" for you.

One of the public (raucously): Haw, haw, haw.

Court Orderly: Silence!

[The Home Secretary is reconsidering the wording of the warnings issued by Scotland Yard to minor offenders among erring motorists.]

Of merciful and kindly Jix, Who hast restrained the eager Bobby From playing those unhand-some tricks Which sometimes were his hobby, Do not revert, I humbly pray, To the severe old-fashioned way.

Let Bobbies rather cultivate A tactful and official blindness, For many uplift experts state That more is done by kindness, Even to hoglets on the road, Than by the most Draconian code.

For folk will say "New Scotland Yard Of certain faults made tactful mention, It really would be rather hard To pay them no attention! At least within their zone of power I'll not exceed ten miles an hour."

But if they drop a brick instead For what are truly small offences, Then reckless men will blind ahead And damn the consequences, Wooing the speed-god at the price Of hideous human sacrifice.

I love the thrill and the contest And the adventure of life.—Mr. Otto H. Kahn.

I can understand being an atheist or an agnostic; but I cannot understand believing in a God who would punish me for getting married in May.—Dean Inge.

It is a dreadful thing to see such a victory of the Scots over the English, such an extension of Bannockburn, such a revenge for Flodden, as is implied in the neglect of cricket in favour of golf.—Mr. G. K. Chesterton.

Good modern literature is never made out of correct sentiments.—Mr. Arnold Bennett. "Government of the people, for the people, by the people," is a catch word: "Government of fools, by fools, and for fools," doesn't sound quite so good.—Dr. S. G. Moore.

AFTER TWO YEARS' DETENTION.**TWO KIDNAPPED BOYS RETURN HOME.****RAID ON STRONGHOLD.**

After being kept in captivity by a gang of kidnapers in Kwangtung, two small boys who were kidnapped from their home in Hongkong two years ago, have been found.

The parents, who had given up their children as lost, were overjoyed when they returned to Hongkong during the week-end. One of the children is named Tang Mantak and the other Tang Kwok-wai, and they belong to a well-to-do family living at 103, Wanchai Road.

It appears from a brief police report issued this morning, that the children were taken by the kidnapers to Shuntak. During the present month, the house in which they were kept, was raided by the Chinese soldiers on information received, and the boys were freed. What happened to the kidnapers was not stated. It is said, however, that two of them were arrested, and by now may have been tried and given the sentence which is meted out to all kidnapers and robbers in Kwangtung.

AN OLD CHARGE PROVED.**SHIP'S MASTER FINED FOR EXCESS PASSENGERS.**

A charge 17 months old was preferred at the Marine Court this morning before Commr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., against Captain Hendrikson of s.s. Havdrat, action having been taken on a report from the Deputy Harbour Master of Sandakan.

Captain Hendrikson was accused of (a) having obtained a Port Clearance, did leave with a greater number of passengers than allowed, to wit, 62, on April 12, 1927 and (b) wilfully giving false information when obtaining a Port Clearance on the same date.

The accused pleaded not guilty and stated that the trip in question was the first one made by him on the coast. The ship was on a single trip charter to a local firm, and he was told that the usual practice was for the charterers or their agent to employ their own stowaways, comrade's staff, and coolies. He pointed out at the time that the numbers seemed excessive, but was told they were not out of the ordinary. On arrival at Sandakan, the terminating port, the entire staff of coolies and stowaways was put on shore and it was this landing which formed the basis of the Sandakan report. From further experience on the Coast, the accused thought he had been deceived on that occasion and he had since taken great pains to ascertain that he was not again victimized. The comrade's staff and others were not on that occasion on the ship's articles, but all possible steps were now being taken to prevent any further misdemeanours.

His Worship considered that a technical offence had been committed and inflicted a nominal fine of \$5, covering both changes.

Unlawfully on Board.

A case in which the master of s.s. "Golden Sun" figured as prosecutor, related to the unauthorized presence on board that vessel of four prostitutes and a widow, of various addresses. The accused in all cases pleaded guilty.

In answer to his Worship, the police officer in charge of the case stated that the s.s. Golden Sun had left the port. On the day in question, the ship hoisted the Police flag and when he boarded, the master of the vessel handed over the five defendants who were on board without permission and without being invited. They had been seized and locked in a compartment, there originally having been six offenders, but one made her escape through a port.

Fines of \$10 each were inflicted on the several defendants.

Branch of Licence.

One master and two mistresses of passenger boats were severely charged with a branch of licence by carrying goods other than passenger's luggage, to wit, military stores, Mr. Hillier, Assistant Junk Inspector, prosecuting.

The accused pleaded guilty and stated, in reply to questions by his Worship, that they had been hired by a Chinese contractor to convey certain stores from Yau-mat to Murray Barracks. Mr. Hillier stated that the cargo consisted of flour, tinned meat and other victuals, valued at approximately \$3,000.

Fines of \$10 each were inflicted on the several accused.

SINCERE COMPANY WINS CASE.**JAPANESE SYNDICATE TO PAY.****NO AGREEMENT TO TAKE BACK UNSOLD GOODS.****FLEET VISIT ECHO.**

The action brought by the Sincere Company against Mr. T. Nakao, to recover the sum of \$1,000, being a debt contracted as the result of a business deal during the visit of the Japanese Fleet in April, was finally concluded in the Summary Court this morning, when Mr. Justice Jackson gave judgment for the Sincere Company for \$1,000 with costs.

The action arose out of the formation of a Japanese combine to supply goods to the officers and men of the fleet, as a result of which they purchased goods on credit from the Sincere Company and alleged that the latter agreed to take back unsold goods, an agreement which was denied by the Sincere Company.

Mr. M. K. Lo was for the Sincere Company and Mr. R. A. Wadeson defended.

Giving judgment his Lordship said:—

This is an action in which the plaintiffs seek to recover from the defendant the price of certain goods sold and delivered. They claim that they sold goods to the value of \$2,127.30, and they received \$1,000 on deposit, leaving a balance of \$1,127.30, but they have waived \$127.30 in order to bring the action within the jurisdiction of this Court.

The correctness of the foregoing figures is not, I believe, disputed, but the defendant claims that he is entitled to return goods which he has not sold.

Syndicate Formed.

The facts are shortly as follows:—In March last, five Japanese merchants, Messrs. Nakao, Yoshioka, Yoshie, Fujiyama and Osame formed a syndicate to trade with the Japanese Fleet during its visit here for a few days in April, for which they had a monopoly. They had to obtain various goods which they did not stock themselves. They accordingly visited various stores and made arrangements for the purchase of such goods.

One of the stores they visited was that of the plaintiffs, to whom they were unknown. Now the plaintiffs' store is a cash store. These Japanese gentlemen wished to purchase on credit, so they were taken to the plaintiffs' manager who they informed of the approaching visit of the Japanese Fleet, that they had the monopoly to supply the Fleet and they expected a large volume of business.

Cash Offered.

The plaintiffs' manager asked what kind of goods they required and was told they would require a large quantity of ivory chopsticks, combs, mah jongg sets, some blackwood and the like. He said that several of these things he did not keep in stock and would have to buy elsewhere. One of the Japanese said he was a big merchant. He held up a bundle of notes and offered cash for a special rate. The manager eventually agreed to give them credit to the extent of \$2,000 on their paying a deposit of \$1,000 and to sell goods to them at wholesale prices which he said, were from 12½ to 15 per cent. less than ordinary retail prices.

The manager is a busy man and did not remember all the details of the transaction very clearly, but he was certain that he did not agree to take back goods remaining unsold after the Japanese Fleet left. The plaintiffs' manager also said that an assistant named Yuen Kai-tung brought the gentlemen up but he was not present all the time. The manager said nothing about any agreement being asked for, neither was he cross-examined on this point.

The cashier of the plaintiffs' firm said that if the goods had been sold under an agreement to take back unsold goods he would have known of it; he had never heard of a sale under such conditions before.

Manager's Alleged Agreement.

Now the Japanese gentlemen who gave evidence, Messrs. Yoshioka, Osame and Yoshioka, and Mr. Yuen Tsai-chun, their friend and helper, agree in the main with the plaintiffs' manager's account of what took place but they all say that the assistant, Yuen Kai-tung, was present all through the interview. They also say that the manager agreed with them that he would take back such goods as they were unable to sell and that they all appreciated the importance of having some agreement in writing on this point.

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SHOCKING MURDER REVELATION.**SMALL BOY KILLED BY KIDNAPPERS.****HONOLULU TRAGEDY.**

Honolulu, Sept. 20.

The body of Gill Jamieson, 10-year-old boy who was kidnapped two days ago, was found to-day in the undergrowth of the Waikiki section, a few hundred yards from one of the city's busiest streets. The lad had been strangled to death.

Prior to the finding of the body a house to house search was conducted by special deputy sheriffs numbering nearly 3,000.

The crime is the first of its kind in Hawaii and the population is highly excited over it.

The kidnappers obtained \$4,000 from the boy's father, Frederick Jamieson, an official of a trust company here. He paid it to them as the first payment of a \$10,000 ransom demanded by them. When the boy was not returned, Jamieson sought the aid of the authorities.

The lad was lured from school by men who told him that an accident had befallen his mother and that she wanted to see him.

FAREWELL VIOLIN RECITAL.**FAMOUS ARTISTE PLAYS A BORROWED VIOLIN.**

Cecilia Hansen confirmed herself in the hearts of Hongkong music-lovers last evening when she gave her farewell recital. The audience was small compared to the splendid receptions formerly accorded the brilliant artist, but such was the enthusiasm that Cecilia Hansen will leave the Colony with nothing but happy memories.

It may be said at once that the famous violinist scored a complete triumph, indeed doubly so, since it was a wonderful performance in the face of extreme difficulty. When her own fiddles, one of the world's finest Stradivarius violins, and a Guadagnini, were opened yesterday, it was revealed that they had been badly impaired by the climatic conditions in Manila. One of them actually fell to pieces.

Fortunately, Miss Hansen was able to borrow Mr. John Bragan's 300-year-old Maggini, which is a good instrument with an exquisite tone.

The artist was obviously ill at ease in her first piece, Grieg's Sonata, but gradually improved as the evening progressed, giving delightful renderings of the Pugnani-Kreisler Prælude and Allegro and the Symphonie Espagnole, and a masterful interpretation of the Chopin-Sarasate Nocturne.

The programme was as follows:

- 1.—SonataGrieg.
- Allegro.
- Andante.
- Presto.
- 2.—(a) MelodieGluck-Kreisler.
- (b) Prælude and AllegroPugnani-Kreisler.
- 3.—Symphonie Espagnole ...Lalo.
- Allegro.
- Andante.
- Finale.
- 4.—(a) Nocturne Chopin-Sarasate.
- (b) CortègeBoulanger.
- (c) Zigeunerweisen Sarasate.

SEMENOFF CLAIMS MILLION YEN.**MONEY IN YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK.****WILL IT GO TO JAPANESE GOVERNMENT?****CHARGE OF FRAUD.**

Who will eventually come to get possession of the ¥1,000,000 involved in the present Semenoff versus Pochargin case, is a question very greatly interesting Japan, according to the *Osaka Mainichi*. Those familiar with the inner circumstances of the case are of the opinion that so long as the Soviet Government does not change its attitude, the money will eventually be handed over to the Japanese Government.

On a charge of fraud by means of which they attempted to get hold of the ¥1,000,000 deposited with the Yokohama Specie Bank, Mr. Yokotachi, a Kobe barrister-at-law, and Mr. Hirokichi Nakamura, former member of the Kobe Municipal Assembly, are now undergoing strict examination at the hands of the procurators attached to the Kobe District Court. The police are wanting another suspect, a German, whose name is given as Heckel (?) "who is alleged to have acted as an accomplice of these two Japanese by posing as General Pochargin."

German Takes to Hiding.

When the present case came to light as the result of suspicion aroused by the action of this group of Kobe men among the personal representatives of General Pochargin in Tokyo, the German suddenly disappeared, and the police are very anxious to round him up, as they believe that he holds the key to the solution of the whole mystery surrounding the case.

In order to understand the nature of the present case it is necessary to describe its history. Ten years ago Ataman Semenoff, the leader of the Chita Government in Siberia, came to Japan via Korea with gold bullion valued at ¥1,300,000 in Japanese currency, the price for the purchase of Japanese arms. He entrusted Major-General Pochargin, former Military Attaché attached to the Russian Embassy in Tokyo, with the money with which to purchase the arms in Japan for him.

The money was deposited with the Meiji branch of the Yokohama Specie Bank in the name of General Pochargin. Meanwhile the Chita Government went out of existence, and Ataman Semenoff had to leave Siberia. Semenoff wanted to get the money back, but Pochargin would not comply with his request, on the ground that the money did not belong to him but to the Chita Government. After considerable trouble Semenoff, it is said, managed to get back ¥300,000 out of the ¥1,300,000. It was thought at the time that this had settled the case, but it was not quite so.

Ataman Continues his Demands.

Semenoff continued to demand the return of the balance to him. As there was no prospect of an amicable settlement, Ataman (Continued on Next Column.)

GREAT AMATEUR T. T. RACE.**RECORDS BROKEN IN ISLE OF MAN.****LEADER'S BAD LUCK.**

Douglas (I. of M.) Sept. 4.

All amateur records for the full Tourist Trophy course of 22½ miles were broken to-day by W. H. T. Meageen, a member of the Manx Motor Cycle Club, who won the Junior race on a Rex Acme at an average speed of 61.68 m.p.h. This was marvellous riding, for engines were limited to 350 c.c. capacity, and never before in the history of the event has a mile a minute been maintained for the whole course, even by the 500 c.c. motor-cycles in the "Senior" Class. The best time for 350 c.c. machine was 4h. 21min. 55sec., made by S. Gates last year, and Meageen to-day did the course in 3h. 40 min. 44sec.

This is the sixth Amateur Road Race meeting arranged by the Manx M.C.C., and the first in which two separate races have been arranged. The actual championship in which riders of "Senior" machines will compete, is to be decided on Thursday over the same course, but Meageen's record of to-day will indeed be hard to beat.

Greasy Roads.

Heavy rain overnight had made the roads very greasy, and the mist was so thick on the mountain that a marshal had to be posted at the Bungalow to guide competitors at that tricky point. That the amateurs were determined to make light of these difficulties was shown from the start; for Percy Hunt (Levis), the Southport rider, who won the championship last year, averaged 61.44 miles per hour for the first lap.

The greasy roads soon took toll among the 26 starters. W. Whittle (Grindley Peerless), a Watford rider, came to grief on the first big corner—Quarter Bridge—and later R. G. Bentley (A.J.S.) tumbled in with C. E. Needham (New Hudson) as a pillion passenger.

Meageen's Challenge.

Meageen ended the first lap 2min. 23sec. behind Hunt, and after covering two more laps—the half-way point—the gap between the champion and his hunter was almost the same, but Meageen had covered the third circuit in 36min. 23sec. (62.4 m.p.h.), a new lap record. Hunt, responding nobly to Meageen's challenge, equalled his record on the fourth circuit. Then Meageen began a great effort, and at the end of the fifth lap was only one minute behind Hunt on time.

Suddenly the duel ended. Hunt, still holding a slender lead round the last lap and hurtling down the mountain road with victory in sight, developed engine trouble near Craignabab, about four miles from the finish, and had to retire, after leading all the way. This disaster meant that Meageen, who had finished some time before, was the winner. Hansen was second nearly four minutes behind Meageen, and D. Chrystal (Veloette), of Blackpool, finished third.

Sir Thos. M. McAlpine and Lady Iris Capell were fined 40s. and 30s. respectively at Bow-street for exceeding the motor speed-limit in the Mall.

Semenoff through his personal representative Major-General Kuroki, of Tokyo, took legal action against Pochargin. Meanwhile Pochargin left Japan, and it is said that at present he is in France. Of course, the money has all this time been lying unclaimed in the Yokohama Specie Bank.

The Tokyo Supreme Court in its decision last year declared that the money belonged neither to Semenoff nor to Pochargin, and that the successor to the former Chita Government (evidently the present Soviet Government) alone was entitled to the possession of the money, inasmuch as its original owner went out of existence. The Soviet Government, however, is none too eager to claim this money for obvious reasons. Should it come out demanding the return of the money as the formal successor to the Chita Government, then, before getting the money, it would have to recognize and settle the old debts of the Chita Government to the Japanese Government, which are said to amount to a much higher figure than the present bone of contention. Under such circumstances the money is still lying idle in the bank.

In September last year, Mr. Yokotachi and Nakamura, who were recently arrested on the charge of fraud, in co-operation with the German in question attempted to get hold of the ¥1,000,000 by false pretences, it is alleged.

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KOWLOON SOCCER.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FOOTBALL CLUB.

The annual meeting of the members of the Kowloon Football Club was held last evening, Mr. G. A. Walker presiding in the absence of Mr. R. Hall, the President, who, it was explained had left the Colony on a health trip following his recent illness.

Mr. Walker said he thought the Club could claim to have had another successful year both as regards sport and finance. Kowloon had again won the Senior Shield and the second team had also done remarkably well. The third team also was deserving of considerable praise. They were glad to have the Shield back in its old resting place after a fine game with the Police.

Referring again to the third team Mr. Walker said he thought that encouraging should be given to the younger players in the Club. Their thanks were due to Mr. Murphy for keeping the team together last season. He would like to see plenty of new blood coming into the Club, blood full of football courage, and he would also like to suggest that free use of the ground and clubhouse be offered to the boys of the Kowloon British School, Association with the Club in their youth would lead to membership later in the lives of the boys.

Increased Membership.

Turning to the membership of the Club, Mr. Walker said that in the past year it had grown from 299 to 342. He recalled that only a few years ago, when the Club had 70 members and he thought they could be proud of their position at the present time.

As promised at the last annual meeting the Committee had gone into the question of tennis courts and they now had two of the finest hard courts in Kowloon. Their thanks were especially due to Messrs. Vergette, Beach and Smith in connection with the tennis courts.

With regard to finance the profits were in excess of the previous year. The ground had been reconducted and the electric-light fittings had been renewed. These expenses had tended to reduce the profits for the year.

He noted with pleasure that there had been a very substantial reduction in bad debts, largely due to the hard work of the Hon. Treasurer and Secretary. They had been indefatigable in collecting money long given up as lost. Mr. Walker said he thought the Club's thanks were also due to Mr. Bond for his work as bar convenor. Mr. Bond was recovering from the illness which made him an absentee at the meeting.

Suggested Building Fund.

With regard to the Committee it had been a very active one, the attendance at meetings throughout the year being exceptionally good.

Mr. Walker suggested that the new Committee should consider his suggestion that the cash on fixed deposit should form the nucleus of a building fund, this to be increased by the addition of entrance fees. The time would probably come when the railway would require the ground and he thought they should create a fund in order to be in readiness for the time when they had to build elsewhere. After a sympathetic reference to the late Mr. W. E. Austin the chairman moved the adoption of the report and accounts. Mr. A. W. Eastman seconded and the proposal was carried.

The New Officers.

The following officers were elected. President, Mr. G. A. Walker; Chairman, Mr. T. F. Bradford; Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. W. Eastman; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. R. Baldwin; Captain, Mr. J. McKelvie; Vice-captain, Mr. S. G. Hayes; Bar Convenor, Mr. C. Bond.

Committee—Messrs. R. S. Vergette, R. Marks, J. Smith, F. C. Cleme, W. Stokes and J. Beach. Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-elected auditors for the coming year. There was some discussion on the question of the Ballotting Committee, a member suggesting that the body was really unnecessary and that its duties might be left in the hands of the General Committee. The chairman pointed out that according to the rules of the Club this Committee was necessary, this consisting of the General Committee and three other members. Messrs. Brown, Brimblecombe and Hill were elected to the Ballotting Committee.

The question of the Selection Committee and that of the captain of the second team was deferred to be decided by the playing members. The meeting voted that the Club should present Mr. B. Pascoe with some souvenir in recognition of his services for the Club. It was stated that Mr. Pascoe broke his leg playing the game last season and would not be able to turn out for the Club in future. Warm tributes were paid to the work done by late members of the Club, Messrs. Walker and Mason who, said the chairman, had done much to build the Club up to its present position.

Tributes were also paid to the Secretary, Treasurer and Bar Convenor who were increased to \$200, the meeting closing with votes of thanks to the Chairman and outgoing Committee.

TEAM TENNIS.

AUSTRALIA AND AMERICA EACH SCORE WIN.

Chicago, Sept. 23. The inter-sectional team tennis championship opened at Chicago to-day, Hennessey (U.S.A.) defeated Hopmann (Australia) by 6-2, 3-6, 6-4, while Crawford (Australia) defeated G. Lott, Jr. by 3-6, 6-4, 6-3. Reuter's American Service.

The Doubles.

Chicago, Sept. 24. In the inter-sectional tennis doubles Lott and Hennessey beat Crawford and Hopmann 1-6, 6-4, 12-10. Reuter's American Service.

Professional Championship.

New York, Sept. 24. In the final of the professional lawn tennis championship, the first two matches of which were played in Europe, the Czechoslovakian, Kozeluh beat Vincent Richards 6-1, 6-4, 4-6, 6-3. Reuter.

LADIES GOLF.

BOGEY COMPETITION NEXT MONTH.

A Bogeys competition has been arranged for the Ladies Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, to be held on the New Course, Fanling, on Tuesday, October 16, for a prize kindly presented by Mrs. W. N. Fleming.

The date of the annual general meeting of the Ladies Section has been provisionally fixed for Monday, October 22, at 11 a.m., at the Helena May Institute. The Report and Statement of Accounts for 1927/1928 will be sent to Subscribers in due course.

BILLIARDS.

GARRISON MESS DEFEATS THE C.P.O. CLUB.

In the Steel and Coulson billiard league match last night between the C.P.O. Club and the Garrison Mess, the latter won an interesting game.

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TWO SHIP COLLISIONS.

FOUR VESSELS INVOLVED IN MINOR MISHAPS.

Two collisions of ocean going vessels figured in this morning's Harbour Office Reports, the vessels involved being the s.s. Chenan and s.s. Kwang Lee at Shanghai, and the s.s. Kaiping and s.s. Raymond Poincare in local waters. In neither case was there serious damage.

The s.s. Chenan, of the China Navigation Company, arriving from Shanghai, reports that when leaving that port on September 20, the s.s. Kwang Lee, of the China Merchant's Navigation Company, was in collision, inflicting damage above the water line on the starboard side.

The s.s. Kaiping, of the Kailan Mining Administration, reports that she was in collision with s.s. Raymond Poincare off High Island whilst on the way down from Canton yesterday.

CRICKET.

VOLUNTEERS' TEAM.

The following will represent the Volunteers 2nd XI at Kowloon, on Saturday, against the K.C.C. 2nd XI, at 2.15 p.m. sharp:—G. H. West (Capt.), R. R. Davies, J. E. Hancock, R. K. Valentino, W. M. Groves, T. L. Christie, A. Read, V. W. L. Stanlon, J. L. Bonnar, G. A. B. Plummer and H. P. L. Ewin.

ATHLETICS.

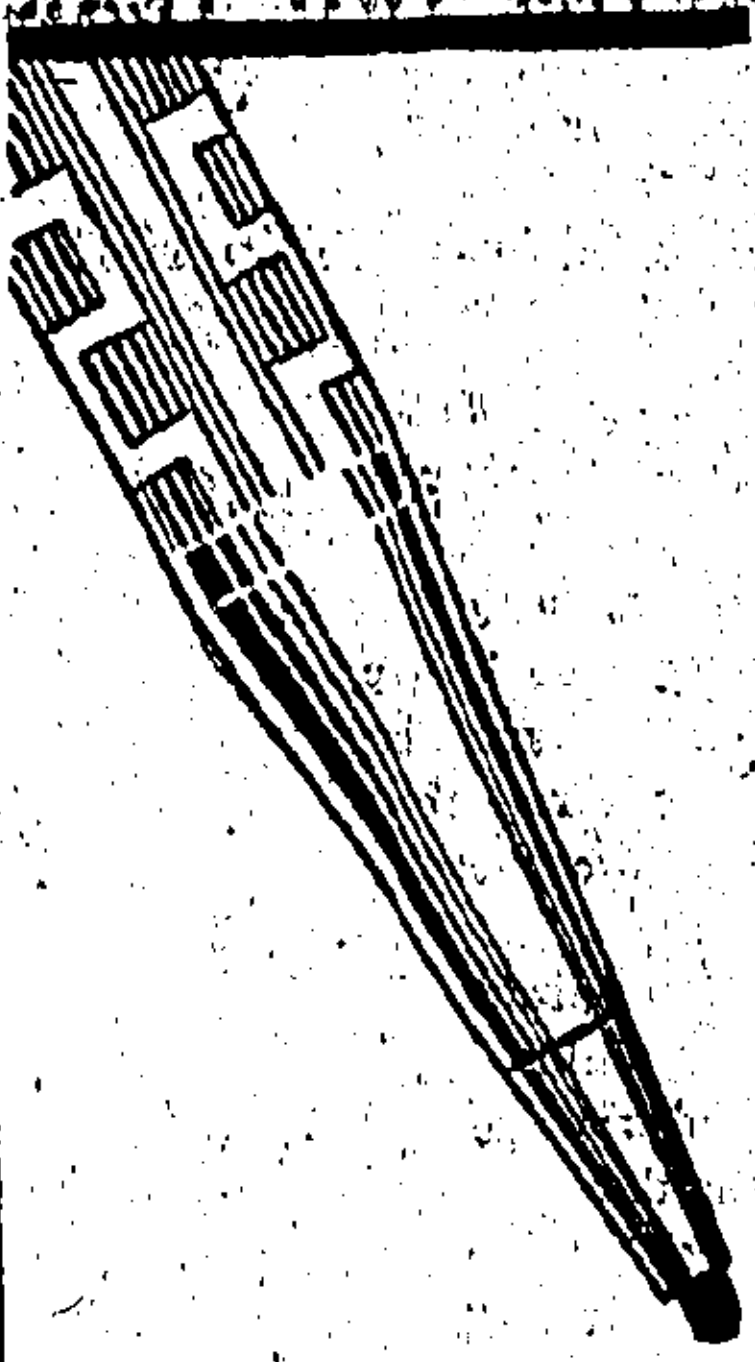
JAPAN BEATS FRANCE AT DAIREN.

Tokyo, Sept. 24. A two-day French and Japanese athletic contest at Dairen resulted in a win for Japan by 78 points to 72. Three records were broken. Japan secured 43 points in the track events and 35 in the field events, and France 37 and 35 respectively. Reuter.

The s.s. President Lincoln, arriving from U.S. ports, with 625 Asiatic deck passengers, reports the death of one Chinese steamer traveller en route, from tuberculosis, on September 15, four days previous to the ship reaching Shanghai.

Newcastle Corporation have decided to have bus stations, and propose to erect one of these with platforms, waiting rooms and garage, charges to be made in respect of buses using the station.

After consultation with the Metropolitan Police and the Ministry of Transport, Berks County Council have agreed upon a scheme for road improvements in order to facilitate Ascot traffic.



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COMMANDER TO JOIN SHIP NEXT MONTH.

Norfolk, Sept. 20. The whaler Larson, carrying four aeroplanes and three pilots who will guide them over the frozen mountains of the South Pole, left here to-day as the second ship of Commander Byrd's expedition to start for the Antarctic. Only a brief ceremony marked the departure of the vessel. Commander Byrd will join the ship at San Pedro, Calif., on Oct. 6.

The airman who left on the Larson were Mr. Bert Balchen, who accompanied Byrd on his trans-Atlantic flight; Mr. Harold Gung and Mr. C. Dean Smith.

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"Competition among stores in America is much keener than over here," he said. "American women interest themselves very closely in the stores. They seem to be conversant with any attraction or price cuts that one store offers over another, and so they compel the merchant to keep

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"Americans are more ready to adopt new things than we are. That fact made possible the very effective innovation of complete colour schemes in kitchen utensils. Americans take a pride in keeping their businesses and their factories absolutely clean; not only in the exposed parts which are seen but in stock-rooms, basements, and workshops over which some people over here are liable to be less particular.

"In some big offices in America messenger boys are supplied with roller skates to enable them to get from one part of the building to another at a terrific speed. "Many stores would be very much better off as a rule if they ceased to stock slow-selling goods on the chance of being asked once a year for a certain article."

GAINSBOROUGH SURPRISE.

DISCOVERY IN A SALEROOM.

One is still able to record, even in these late days, the discovery in a saleroom, by some lynx-eyed observer, of a hitherto unrecorded picture by an eminent painter.

On February 22 this year, Messrs. Sotheby had for dispersal a collection of pictures from the Dower House, Clinton Lodge, Sheffield Park, Sussex. Among the number was a portrait of Dan Holroyd, third son of Isaac Holroyd, of Dunmore, and younger brother of John, first Earl of Sheffield. The artist's name was unknown and the portrait was almost black with grime. Consequently the dealers were unwilling to run any risk, and Mr. Luscombe Carroll, of St. James's square, was fortunate to acquire it for a comparatively trifling sum.

His courage has been fully justified. Judicious cleaning has revealed a fine painting, in pristine condition, of a young soldier in the brilliant uniform, apparently of an Irish Regiment, for the black cap is richly ornamented with a crowded harp, shamrocks and oak leaf sprays. The uniform consists of a red coat with green lapels, buff-coloured waistcoat and trousers and a crimson sash, while in the background a battered fortress is shown. At the lower left-hand corner of the canvas the Sheffield arms are shown and on the opposite side are words, "Dan Holroyd, Esq., killed in the Havannah, July 31, 1762."

In Beatson's Naval and Military memoirs (1804), there is an account of the action in which Lieutenant Holroyd lost his life.

A breach having been made in the walls of Castle Moro, the Spaniards were driven from every part of the rampart, and, as Lieutenant Forbes, Nugent of the 9th and Holroyd of the 90th Regiments were congratulating each other on their victory, the enemy (sheltered in the Moro Lighthouse) fired upon them and killed the two latter. Forbes and other companions attacked the Lighthouse "and put all in it to the sword."

So much for the historical interest of the picture.

A Splendid Example.

"Its importance as a work of art is equally undoubted, and one has no hesitation in stating that the portrait is a splendid example of Gainsborough's early style at its culmination shortly after he removed to Bath, where a new influence almost immediately began to quicken his art.

The qualities of the period, 1760-62, distinguish the picture. His outlook is more comprehensive, brushwork is freer, and the colour bolder, but held together harmoniously by notes of rare subtlety. Mark the luminous dark eyes, the tender gradation of the cream, carnation, and grey of the finely-modelled face; the beautiful painting of the white collar, and the sure touches that convey the movement of the figure to the cuffs and the curling hair.

In my opinion, the picture was left unfinished owing to Holroyd having hurriedly to join his regiment for foreign service, and that Castle Moro was put in by Gainsborough after the young

RUSSIA TO SIGN PEACE PACT.

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the occupation of foreign territory. The history of recent years has furnished several examples of such military activities which have inflicted terrible hardships on the people.

"The Soviet Republics themselves were the object of such attacks, and now 400,000,000 Chinese are suffering similarly. Such military actions often grow into big wars which it may be impossible absolutely to prevent.

"The special attention of the Soviet Government has been evoked by the reservation whereby the British Government reserves its freedom of action as regards a series of regions not specifically mentioned.

"If this reservation is meant to refer to regions already belonging to the British Empire or its Dominions, it is apparently superfluous since they are already included in the Pact, and the possibility of their being attacked is provided for in it.

"If, however, some other regions are meant, the participants of the Pact are entitled to know exactly where the freedom of action of the British Government begins and ends.

"The Soviet Government cannot refrain from regarding this reservation as an attempt to use the Pact itself as an instrument of imperialistic policy.

"However, the British Government's Note referred to has not been communicated to the Soviet Government as being an integral part of the Pact or its annexes, and therefore cannot be considered as binding on the Soviet Government."

OIL OFFER TO IRAQ.

BRITISH GROUP TO BUILD 500 MILE RAILWAY.

Baghdad, Aug. 30.

An influential British financial group has made important proposals to the Iraq Government, which has power next November to submit for sale by tender certain oil plots in the Mosul and Baghdad Vilayets.

The group will tender for these plots, and, if successful, will sign forthwith agreements to construct the Iraq section of the Baghdad-Haifa Railway without any financial contribution from Iraq.

The whole distance of the projected line is about 500 miles, half of which is in Iraq territory and the other half in Transjordan and Palestine. If the company's offer is accepted negotiations will be opened with the Colonial Office regarding the construction of the line in Palestine and Transjordan.

It is understood that Lord Inverforth, Lord Wemyss, and Sir John Latta are concerned in the group.

man's death in 1762. The breached fort and the hill are painted here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1928.

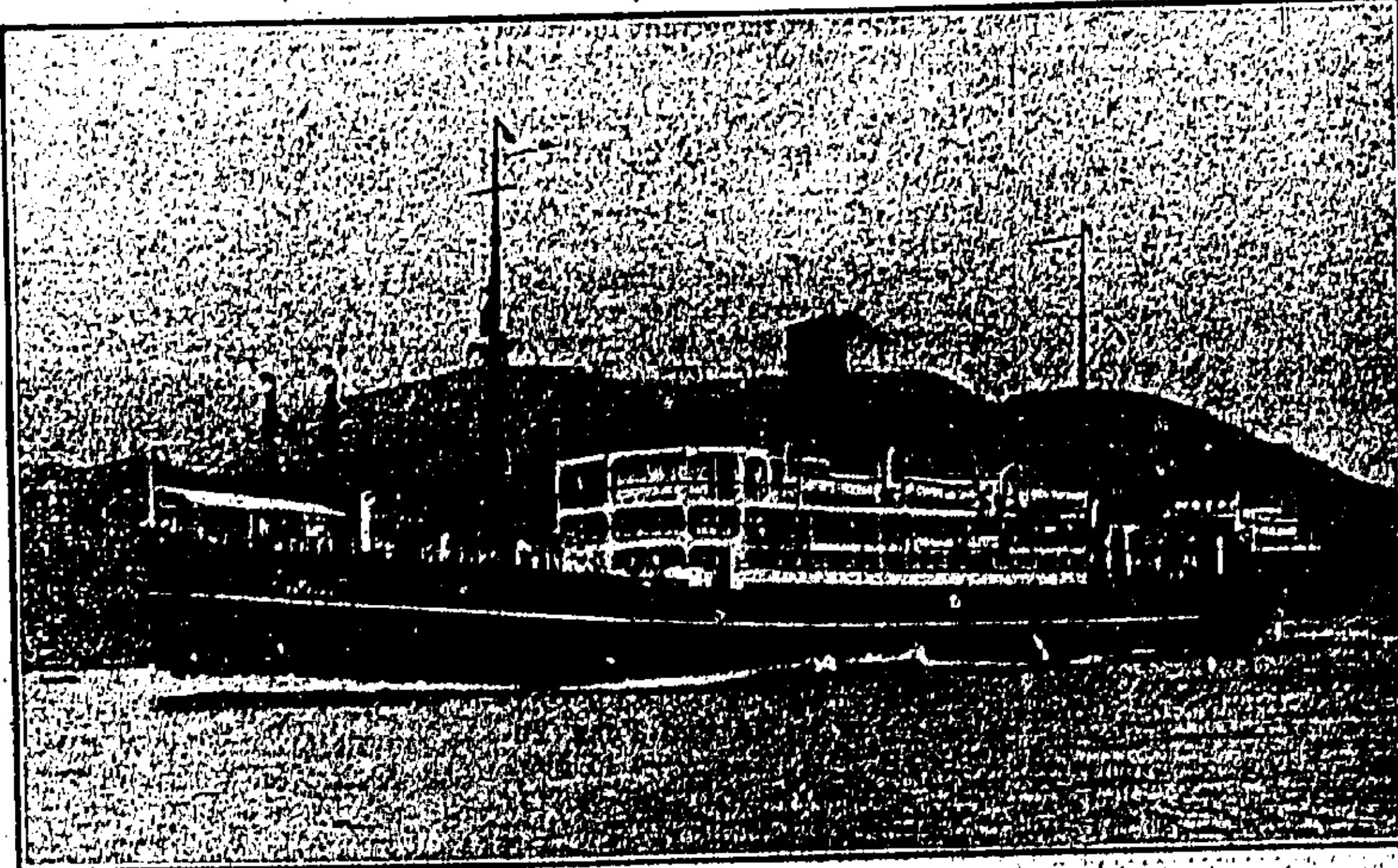
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OPIMUM ENQUIRY IN FAR EAST.

CHINA SAID TO HAVE OPENED
WAR ON SMOKERS.

PLANS AGREED UPON.

Geneva, Sept. 24.

The Assembly of the League has disposed of Dame Edith Lytton's report of the proposed opium smoking enquiry.

Dame Lytton said that the enquiry would extend to the Philippines, if the United States approved the recommendation.

Mr. Wang King-ki said that the new Chinese Government had entered into the fight against opium and other harmful drugs, and that after March next opium smokers in China would be severely punished.

China very much regretted that the Committee had not favoured their proposal to extend the enquiry to countries producing narcotic drugs.—*Reuter.*

The League Budget.

The Budget Committee of the League has adopted a report on the 1929 budget, asking the Assembly to pass a grant of 27,026,000 gold francs.—*Reuter.*

FLORAL DISPLAY IN POLICE COURT.

EARLY MORNING CAPTURE
OF THEFT.

Pots of flowers decorated the Kowloon Magistracy this morning where they represented the subject of a charge of larceny which was brought against a Chinese who was arrested with the flowers in his possession in Lai-chikok Road early yesterday morning.

Defendant was further charged with being in possession of a pair of pliers, an instrument fit for an unlawful purpose.

Defendant admitted the first charge, and in reply to the second, said he found the pliers outside complainant's garden.

Sub-Inspector Hoare informed his Worship that when defendant was arrested in Lai-chikok shortly after 4 a.m. yesterday, enquiries were made and it was discovered that the flowers had been stolen from a private garden in Boundary Street, Shamshuipo. A wire netting fence eight feet high surrounded the garden and it was discovered that admittance was gained through a hole which, no doubt, had been cut by the defendant with the pliers.

On the first charge, defendant was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour, with a further term of two months' on the second.

EX-CHAMPION BOXER FOUND HANGED.

WON ELEVEN OF TWELVE
LONDON FIGHTS.

Paris, Sept. 4.

Fred Bretonnel, a former boxing champion, committed suicide this afternoon.

He is said to have been very depressed lately because of recent defeats and the thought that he was losing his form.

Bretonnel had been well before the public since 1920, when he went to London and won 11 of the 12 bouts he fought.

In 1923 he won the light-weight championship of France, a title which he lost the next year. He was fighting as a welter-weight in 1927 and beat Alfred Pegazzano, who later held the welter-weight title of France.

In the latter part of 1927 and this year, he has not done so well. He returned to France 18 months ago.

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, Sept. 24.

Paris	124.15
Brussels	34.90
Amsterdam	12.09 1/2
Berlin	20.34
Copenhagen	18.19
Vienna	34.44 1/2
Helsingfors	192 1/2
Lisbon	107 1/2
Bucharest	79 1/2
Buenos Aires	47.11 1/2
Shanghai	4.85 15/16
New York	25.20
Geneva	25.20
Milan	25.20
Stockholm	18.18
Oslo	18.10
Prague	163 1/2
Madrid	20.37 1/2
Athens	97 1/2
Rio	1/5.81/32
Bombay	1/10.11/32
Yokohama	26.7/16
Silver (spot)	26.9/16
Silver (forward)	26.9/16

—*British Wireless.*

BUFFER STATE IN NORTH CHINA.

NEUTRAL ZONE ROUND
SHANHAIKWAN.

CHANG CHUNG-CHANG TO
HOLD THIS AREA.

CURIOUS COMPROMISE.

According to Naval wireless messages it is now confirmed that hostilities between the three factions in the Lanhshien-Changli area have now ceased.

It is reported that Marshal Chang Chung-chang who is now at Lanhshien is willing to surrender. General Chu Yu-pu is at present at Tongshan under Nationalist protection. Quiet conditions continue at Chihwangtao and in the Tongshan mining area.

The Nationalist forces are withdrawing in great numbers from the Lanhshien district to Tongshan and a further westerly movement is expected. It is estimated that repairs to the damaged bridge at Lanhshien will take about a fortnight to complete. Repair work has now been started from both ends.

It is reported that a compromise has been reached between the Generals of the Nationalist, Fengtien and Chihli Shantung forces. It is rumoured that the area between Shanhaikwan and Lanhshien will form a buffer state between the Nationalists and Fengtien, the territory being governed by Chang Chung-chang.

The Chihli-Shantung prisoners are to be transported from Lanhshien to Tientsin in trains lent to General Pai by the Kailan Mining Administration.

Sun Fo and Cabinet.

Shanghai, Sept. 24.

In an interview with Chinese journalists in Nanking, Mr. Sun Fo expressed his belief that the Cabinet System will be adopted as the future constitution of the Nationalist Government, which is taken to indicate his opposition to the election of a President.

The Chairman of the Administrative Council, he said, should not act concurrently as Chairman of any of the five new Councils, nor as Chairman of the Government Council.

The popular desire of members of the C.E.C. is that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek should accept the post of Chairman of the Nationalist Government Council.

Referring to his own position, Mr. Sun Fo said he does not intend to accept portfolio in the Finance or Communication Ministries, and is not likely to become chief of the Examination Court. He is likely to devote his time in the direction of the re-construction of the country.

Commenting on the construction of the tomb of his late father Dr. Sun Yat-sen, Mr. Sun Fo highly commended the architects for their wonderful work. The tomb is expected to be completed in about two months' time, and it is estimated that the construction has cost the Government something like one and a half million dollars.

Li Chai-sum Visiting Canton.

Nanking, Sept. 24.

Marshal Li Chai-sum and General Li Chung-yen have returned to Nanking from Tangshan.

Marshal Li, interviewed, announced his intention of returning to Canton within the next fortnight in order to give his attention to a number of important financial problems which need early solution.

He stated, however, that his visit to Canton would be brief as he intends to return to Nanking to assume office in the Central Government.

To-night, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek is to give a dinner party at Government House in honour of the Nationalist leaders, Marshal Li Chai-sum, General Li Chung-yen, Messrs. Wu Han-min, Li Sen, We Te-chow, Dr. Wang Chung-hui and the two Fengtien envoys, Yang Yuch-shan and Shing Shih-lien will be present.

Invitation to Feng.

Shanghai, Sept. 24.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has telegraphed to Marshal Feng Yuxiang urging his return to Nanking in connexion with the coming conferences for the reorganisation of the Central Government and the establishment of the five new Councils.

Unemployed Officials.

Peking, Sept. 24.

This morning's train for Tientsin carried several cars of unemployed officials who are being sent free to Shanghai from where they must make their own way to their southern homes.—*Reuter.*

BISHOPS AND THE PRAYER BOOK.

DR. DAVIDSON TO PRESIDE
FOR LAST TIME.

NEW POLICY LIKELY.

London, Sept. 24.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, whose resignation will come into effect in November, will preside to-morrow for the last time over a meeting of the House of Bishops.

The meeting, at which it is expected all the Bishops of the provinces of Canterbury and York will attend, will give further consideration to the problem created by the rejection of the Revised Prayer Book for the Church of England when the Prayer Book Measure was defeated in the House of Commons.

The discussions will continue over at least three days and it is anticipated that some very general line of policy will emerge, probably in the form of provisional resolutions, which will subsequently be put before the Diocesan British Wireless.

Bishop of Chekiang.

London, Sept. 24.

On the nomination of the House of Bishops of the Church in China, the Archbishop of Canterbury has appointed the Rev. John Curtis, who is a missionary in Faiden, to the Bishopric of Chekiang, in succession to Bishop Moloney, who has resigned.—*Reuter.*

YOUTHFUL DISTURBER OF THE PEACE.

SENT TO PRISON FOR
SIX WEEKS.

A young Chinese stood in the dock before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning charged with behaving in a disorderly manner, the trouble arising, it was stated, over a young woman.

Inspector Fallon, who prosecuted, said that complainant, the occupier of No. 64, Temple Street and the father of the girl, rushed to the Police Station yesterday afternoon and reported that defendant was creating disturbance at the house.

Defendant was sent for, and after hearing the old man's grievance, Inspector Fallon temporarily settled the dispute by instructing defendant to leave the house entirely.

Shortly afterwards, however, the man informed the Police that defendant had returned with four others. A detective was sent to the house and defendant was arrested.

The whole trouble, said Inspector Fallon, was over complainant's daughter.

The defendant, who had a previous conviction, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

STEVE DONOGHUE'S AFFAIRS.

GUARANTEED FRIEND FOR
£10,000.

London, Sept. 24.

Proof of debts totalling £4,626 were lodged in the first meeting of the creditors of Steve Donoghue. A resolution was passed adjourning the meeting to the 27th inst. but judging Donoghue bankrupt, but the application to the registrar was postponed pending the presentation of a scheme for payment by Donoghue.—*Reuter.*

"Steve" Donoghue's assets are stated to be £500, while there is a possibility of £10,000, for which Donoghue made himself a guarantor, being added to his debts.—*Reuter.*

[A message dated the 14th inst. state that the London Gazette had announced that a receiving order in bankruptcy had been made against the jockey, Steve Donoghue.]

NEW VISITOR IN PORT.

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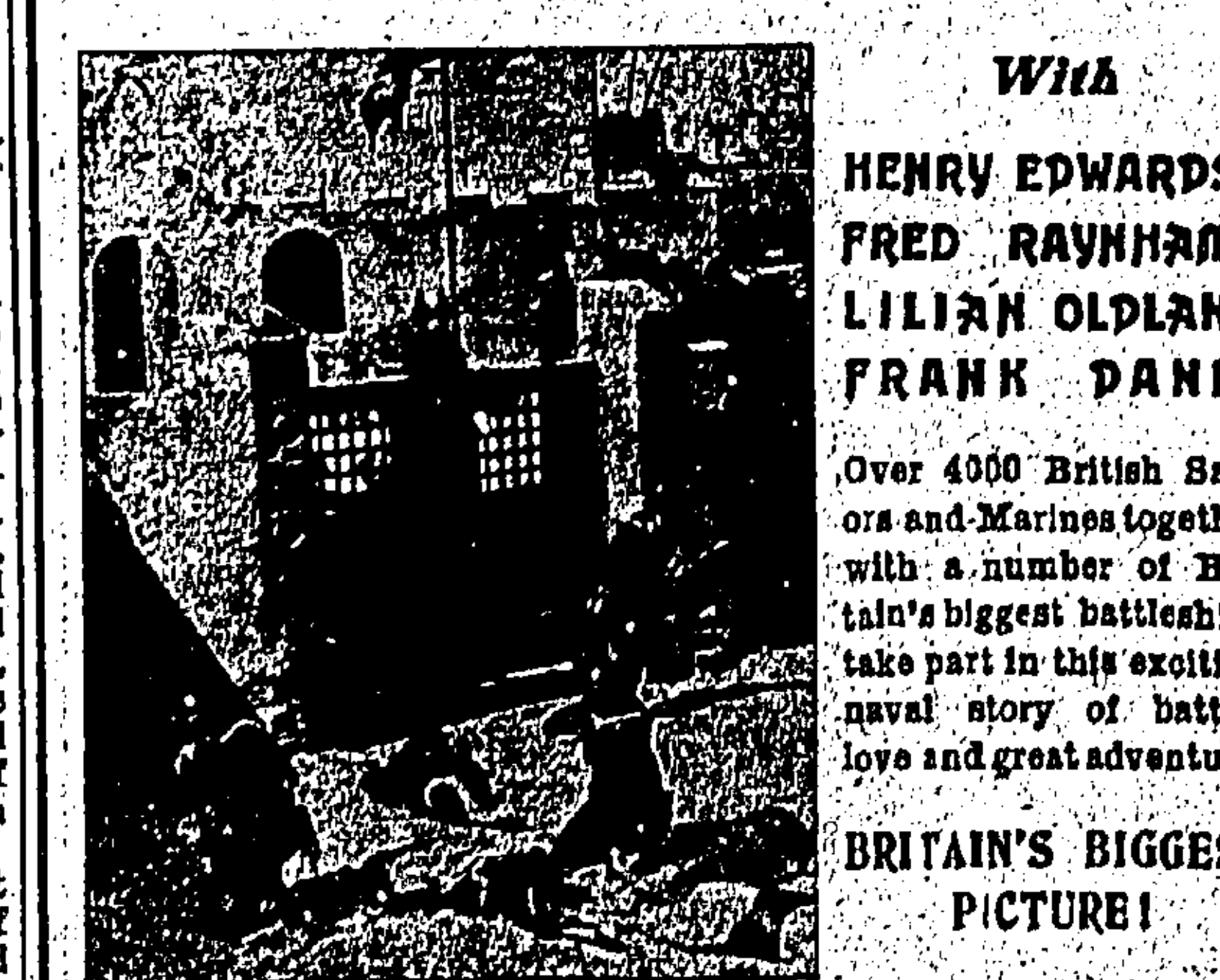
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